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Eastern N. B. Association Missionary Conference held at Pettitcodiac.

A most helpful and profitable missionary Conference of the churches comprising the Eastern N. B. Association was held at Pettitcodiac the 19th and 20th inst. The number of lay delegates was not as large as desired on account of the busy season. Twelve ordained ministers were present to give encouragement and stimulus to this worthy movement. After two such experiences in connection with this Association during this year, I am sure all present would commend similar gatherings, in connection with the quarterly meetings of the provinces. It brings to the smaller interests what the larger ones enjoy by entertaining the Associations and Conventions. Tuesday afternoon began the meetings with a devotional service, led by the writer, a profitable preface for all religious work. At the close Dr. J. W. Brown of Havelock, President of the Quarterly, opened the regular work of the Conference by reading the 40th Psalm. An address was then given by Rev. H. V. Davies of Salisbury on our Baptist work in B. C. All followed the remarks of our brother with intense interest as he was able to speak from a personal acquaintance with the work there. A letter from Rev. F. W. Patterson of Winnipeg was then read by Rev. H. H. Saunders, presenting the opportunity and need of our work in Manitoba and the North West.

Rev. J. B. Gagnon of Hillsborough, then gave a comprehensive sketch of our Grand Ligne heritage. This was followed by an inspiring account of some of the trials and triumphs of the movement by Rev. D. Heschinson of Moncton who had come directly in touch with the work during his pastorate in Ontario in his capacity of Pres. of Convention of Ontario and Quebec. All present agreed it was a most instructive afternoon.

In the evening platform addresses were given by Rev. H. H. Saunders and Rev. W. E. McIntyre, the recently appointed Field Sec'y. The Conference felt that the appointment was a necessity and the selection the best that could be made.

Wednesday was Foreign Mission day. After a devotional service led by Rev. I. N. Thorne, Dr. J. W. Brown gave a heart-searching missionary Bible reading. Comment on this excellent address is needless as you will have the privilege of reading it in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR.

In the afternoon the Conference was treated to a splendid paper on our Telugu mission by Mrs. J. W. Brown. This paper was also asked for publication in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR, and we trust the public will give it a careful reading.

At this point the conference formed itself into a "quiz" and the ever ready secretary treasurer of the F. M. B. was pitted with questions that elected a great deal of valuable information.

In the evening grand, strong, inspiring addresses were delivered by Dr. Manning on our Telugu work and by Rev. D. Hutchinson on the Livingston Island mission. The visiting friends tendered the church a vote of thanks for their kindness during their stay, and now the pastor takes this opportunity of tendering thanks to those who gave themselves without stint to the task of furnishing her with a rich treat she will not soon forget. We received more from the people who came as visiting friends than they did from us. May the Lord's richest blessing rest on the work and workers everywhere.

N. A. MACNEILL, Sec'y.

## Re-opening at Lutz Mountain.

On Sunday, May 24th, the Lutz Mountain church re-opened their meeting house. It has been extensively repaired inside. The walls and ceiling have been covered with metal sheathing of a very neat design. The chandeliers have been replaced with large lamps, which give a very fine light, while the whole interior has been repainted. It represents a very pleasing appearance and reflects great credit upon the church and pastor.

The re-opening services were largely attended, and it was a day of great interest to the church. Rev. M. Addison of Surry preached in the morning; Rev. J. W. Brown of Havelock in the afternoon, and Rev. N. A. MacNeill preached in the evening.

The work cost in the neighborhood of \$500, but there remained but a balance of \$130 at the re-opening, which was fully covered by the collections of the day.

Rev. Jno. Williams the pastor is abundant in labor, and beloved by the people. Bro. Williams is to be congratulated on his success in uniting Shediac and Lutz Mountain in one field of labor. The Home Mission Board has been trying for years to bring this about, but have been until now unable to do so. We trust that the union may be permanent, and that Bro. Williams may long be spared to labor on this field. He has passed through deep affliction, but we were glad to note that his old-time buoyancy and vigor had not departed, while his consecration to Christ seemed to be intensified. The Lord bless the Lutz Mountain-Shediac Field.

J. W. BROWN.

Havelock, May 27.

## "HE BELIEVES IN ME."

There is nothing which quite takes the place in a boy's life of the consciousness that somebody—his teacher, brother, sister, father, mother, or friend—believes in him.

One of the most discouraging things to a youth who is apparently dull, yet is conscious of real power and ability to succeed is to be depreciated by those around him, to feel that his parents and teachers do not understand him, that they look upon him as a probable failure.

When into the life of such a boy there comes the loving assurance that somebody has discovered him, has seen in him possibilities undreamed of by others, that moment there is born within him a new hope, a light that will never cease to be an inspiration and encouragement.

If you believe in a boy, if you have seen any real ability in him (and every human being is born with ability to do some one thing well), tell him so; tell him that you believe he has the making of a man in him. Such assurance has often proved of greater advantage to a youth than cash capital.

There is inspiration in "he believes in me."—Success.

## TEXT ON FAITH.

The late H. G. Gubbud told this story of his own life. He and his wife seeing hard times. One morning she called to him to come into the kitchen. In the center of the floor was an empty flour-barrel she had just dusted out. "Now, my dear," said she, "I have often heard you say one could put his head into an empty flour-barrel and sing, 'Praise God from whom all blessings flow' if he believed what God said. Now here is your chance; practice what you preach." There was the empty flour-barrel staring at Mr. Gubbud with open mouth; his pocketbook was as empty as the barrel. He was not on a salary, and he knew of no money that was coming in. He was terribly perplexed for a moment, and then he said, "I will put my head in and sing on one condition." "What's that?" said his wife. "The condition that you will put your head in with me. You know you promised to share my joys and sorrows." She consented, so they put their heads in and sang the long-metre doxology. When they took them out the tears were running down their cheeks, but they were not tears of despair, but of faith and confidence. They did not go hungry, and brighter days came with the morning.

—Ex.

The str. Silvia arrived at Halifax from St. Johns, N.B., on May 29. Capt. Farrell reports that he met fog and rain on the trip and that from outside St. Johns to Cape Pine he passed more than 100 icebergs of various sizes, many of them very large. The Silvia left the same evening for New York.

## Notices.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances the Baptist Quarterly Meeting of Colchester and Pictou Counties is postponed for one week from published date.

A. R. INGRAM, Sec'y.

As will be seen by a notice elsewhere in this issue, The N. S. Central Association will convene with the Upper Canard Baptist church June 26th.

Delegates will please send in their names to either of the undersigned before and not later than the 15th inst, otherwise free entertainment will not be guaranteed.

Delegates will purchase their tickets to Sheffield Mills Station. They will, also, ask for standard certificates, and these, upon being properly signed, will entitle the holders to free return tickets.

The "International Praise" hymn book will be used in the services of song, and those having these books will kindly bring them. Rev. D. E. HATT, Chairman Entertainment Com.

A. S. McDONALD, Church Clerk. Upper Dyke Village, June 1st, 1903.

The N. S. Western Baptist Association will convene in the fifty-third annual session with the Bear River Church on June 20th next, at 10 o'clock a.m. Reduced rates of travel will be duly announced.

W. L. ARCHIBALD, Clerk.

May 25th, 1903.

The Yarmouth County Quarterly will be held on the 11th of June at Forest Glen. It will be a picnic quarterly and the friends will bring their baskets; provision will be made for teams. First session to open at 11 a.m.

JOHN MILES, Sec'y.

The Cape Breton Co. Quarterly meeting will convene with the church at North Sydney 15th and 16th of June. First service Monday evening at 7.30.

A. J. VINCENT, Sec.

The Carleton and Victoria Counties Quarterly Meeting will convene with the Centerville Baptist church, June 9 at 2.30 p.m. A good programme is arranged for, and we hope a large delegation will be present to receive the help such may impart.

WYLLIE H. SMITH, Sec'y-Treas.

The N. S. Central Association will meet at Upper Canard on Friday, June 16th at 10 o'clock.

CHAIRMAN.

## York and Sunbury Quarterly.

The June meetings, of the York and Sunbury Baptist churches, will take place in the Millvale Baptist church, beginning on Friday June 5th and continuing over Lord's day.

The churches will kindly appoint delegates. A good attendance is expected. A full programme is being arranged.

N. B. ROGERS, Secy-Treas.

Persons expecting to attend the N. S. W. Baptist Association at Bear River, June 20 will kindly send their names at once to W. W. Clarke, or I. W. Porter, Bear River. Kindly state the day you expect to arrive, and whether you come by team or otherwise.

The next regular meeting of the Cumberland Co. Conference will meet at Pugwash, June 9th. Delegates are requested to send their names to Pastor Haverstock and state whether they will travel by train or team.

J. G. A. BELVERA, Sec.

The Quarterly District meeting of the Baptist Churches of Colchester and Pictou Counties will be held with the church at Brookfield on June 8th and 9th. A good programme has been arranged for.

A. E. INGRAM, Sec.

The Albert Co. quarterly meeting convenes with the Baltimore Baptist Church, June 9th, at 2 o'clock. This is a fairly central location and we hope to see a full representation from the Church. A good programme has been prepared. There will be a paper on 'Church discipline,' and one on 'Gronping the churches.'

F. D. DAVIDSON, Sec'y-Treas.

"All communications intended for the Home Mission Board of N. S. and P. R. I. should be addressed, Pastor E. J. Grant, Acadia, Yarmouth, N. S."

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