

and he would receive his support as Paul did from the churches already established, and as Paul received his gifts through messengers appointed by the churches, *e. g.*, Epaphroditus and others, so the evangelist would be enabled to carry on his work in consequence of the contributions sent to him by the churches through the brethren whom they have selected for this purpose. It is to be hoped that all our churches will earnestly take hold of this work, that they will promptly and regularly send ample contributions to the mission fund, that with their money they will send their prayers and words of encouragement. Then they will be able to have an evangelist preaching the same gospel as Paul preaches as he goes from place to place. They will have the satisfaction of seeing the work in which they are all interested being prosecuted with vigor, and churches of Christ will spring up on every hand. As the churches increase the contributions will grow, and soon, instead of having our Paul working alone, we will have our Peters and Johns sharing the honors and the toils of preaching the gospel in the destitute places. Bro. Northcutt, with the energetic spirit of Paul and the loving heart of John, has shown us what can be done here. We have also seen our duty. Will we combine to support such a man as he—one who is faithful to God, honest with souls and true to himself?

News of the Churches.

ST. JOHN, N. B.

Bro. Northcutt continued his meeting until Aug. 30th. Next day he went to the Annual Meeting. Bro. Stewart kept up the preaching during two week and two more came forward for baptism. On September 5th, Bro. Northcutt returned from Lord's Cove and preached his closing sermon on "He being dead yet speaketh," showing that our words, actions and influence continue forever. We all felt the truth of his remarks. We know his work has had a telling effect on the cause here, and although he is away much good fruit will be harvested from the seed sown by him.

Bro. Emery preached for us on the morning of September 10th. His remarks on the past and present state of the church were heartfelt and encouraging. At the close of the sermon three received the right hand of fellowship. On the 17th three more were added, making thirty-two in all since the meeting began. At our young people's meeting on the 26th two more made the good confession.

Sister Carrie Payson is visiting her relatives here. Bro. Conley and Sister L. Lambert of Deer Island were with us on Sunday, the 24th.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle have put a new carpet in the church which makes it better looking and more comfortable.

Sister Lamont has organized a large class at Silver Falls, who will study the "Life of Christ" under Prof. Harper of the Chicago University. The "Inductive Method" is very popular, over 20,000 are taking this course.

Our aged Bro. Lowe was buried on the 15th. He was one of our oldest members and until his health failed was always in his place at the Lord's table. Bro. and Sister C. H. Leonard's infant boy was laid away on the 17th. The families have our heartfelt sympathy in their hour of trial. May the Lord comfort and console them.

LORD'S COVE, N. B.

Our convention has come and gone, but not so with its effects. We had a grand meeting. There were present ten preachers, about fifty delegates, and probably not less than three hundred and fifty visiting brethren and friends.

The steamboat "Lubec" came down on Lord's day with about two hundred and fifty passengers

from Lubec and Eastport; and our house, although a large one, would not nearly accommodate the crowd that assembled Sunday afternoon and evening.

On account of there being no boat to St. John on Monday, the delegates remained over until Tuesday morning, when they were conveyed by a special boat to Eastport to connect with the boat for St. John.

Bro. Northcutt spoke for us Monday afternoon and evening. At the close of the evening service eight penitent believers confessed their faith in Christ and we immersed six of them the following evening—the other two going, one to Worcester and one to St. John for baptism. We were exceedingly sorry Bro. Northcutt could not remain longer with us, owing to previous engagements. On Monday evening Bro. Stewart of St. John came down to go back with the delegates, but we prevailed upon him to remain a few days and assist us; and at our Tuesday evening meeting four more made the good confession—one of them being an old man of sixty-seven years.

Four of those recently baptized are fathers who are probably above fifty years of age. These were immersed on Wednesday evening, and our meeting continued until Friday, when Bro. Stewart was obliged to leave us.

At our regular Lord's day evening meeting on September 10th, an intelligent young man responded to his Saviour's invitation, and on Monday afternoon as we led him up from the baptismal waters and extended the invitation to others to follow his noble example, his father came tremblingly but bravely forward and confessed his faith in a risen Redeemer, and was buried with his Lord in Christian baptism the same hour of the day. At our Wednesday evening prayer-meeting, September 13th, two more decided to consecrate their young lives to the Master's service, and on Thursday we buried them in the likeness of Christ's death that they might rise in the likeness of his glorious resurrection to walk in the new life.

Since my arrival here, June 1st, eighteen have confessed their faith in Christ, and I have immersed sixteen of this number, and we trust the end is not yet.

A deep interest is manifest now in all departments of Christian work.

The attendance at Sunday-school is about seventy; and many of the brethren tell me that prayer-meetings here were never more generally participated in than at present.

Sisters Lillie Lambert and Nellie Cook, with the aid of some other of our young lady members, have organized a Mission Band for the children. They have twenty-eight members to date and expect their membership to be greatly increased. The sisters have also an Auxiliary numbering thirty-one members which meets monthly, while the Band has its meetings fortnightly.

I spent Thursday evening of this week in the Leonardville prayer-meeting. There seems to be a good interest there now, though they are at present without a preacher. Their meeting-house has been undergoing some much needed repairs.

Bro. S. W. Leonard preached for us the last Lord's day in August to a large and appreciative audience. He has gone to Kentucky to spend a while in the College of the Bible. His brother Herbert goes to McGill University to pursue a medical course, I believe.

The result of the efforts of our Mission Board to secure a competent evangelist even for a short time must have been very gratifying to all true friends of the cause of Christ. Not only were forty precious souls led to surrender themselves to Christ under his powerful and beautiful presentation of God's truth, but we believe that much valuable seed was sown from which an abundant harvest may yet be reaped.

I expect to attend the Worcester Convention next month, which will be a rare treat for me, as I have not met with my New England brethren at an annual gathering for more than ten years.

R. E. STEVENS.

HALIFAX, N. S.

We had a short visit from Bro. H. T. Morrison of Iowa, who spoke for us two Lord's days. Our brother is a very able preacher of the Word. His discourses were fine and calculated to do good to all who heard them; those who sit under his teaching ought to become strong and well able to handle the Sword of the Spirit which is the word of God, for he understands how rightly to divide the Word of Truth.

We also had a call from Bro. W. H. Harding on Wednesday evening (at our prayer-meeting); he spoke unto us a few words of encouragement. One young lady came forward at the close and made the good confession and was baptized by Bro. H. T. Morrison on Lord's day evening. We are glad to have these brethren call on us in passing through our city.

We also had a visit from Bro. F. D. Boyd (colored missionary) who preached four discourses for us. He is a man of fine education, being thoroughly versed in the Scriptures and qualified to do a good work, not only among his own people but unto all who will hear him. He is a man of great knowledge and familiar with several languages.

HENRY CAUSON.

CORNWALLIS, N. S.

Several of my correspondents, as well as the manager of THE CHRISTIAN, have hinted to me in very plain words that my pen has been too long silent. In looking back over the columns of THE CHRISTIAN for the last few months I am almost persuaded to admit that somebody has neglected duty. But now that the weather is getting cool and the evenings longer, let us shake hands for a renewal of old acquaintance.

The coming CHRISTIAN will be so full of our grand annual that I need but write a few lines this month. Indeed I am so full of annual myself and so delighted with the results that it is hard for me to write or talk of anything else. Look at this meeting from whichever standpoint we may and the conclusion is that it was a grand meeting. The immediate influence upon the cause on Deer Island could not well be over-estimated. My soul is rejoicing over the success of the work in Lord's Cove. While much necessary preparatory work had been done, this grand meeting did much to help on to the glorious results which have gladdened all our hearts. Nor will Deer Island enjoy this blessing alone, for we are all the better for having been in such company and under such influences. We are returning to our homes stronger in faith and with greater courage to work than ever before. To my mind the inspiration we have all received will give the work in which we are engaged an impetus which will be felt by all the churches represented for time to come.

The very successful work of our evangelist, Bro. H. A. Northcutt, done under the direction of our home missions, and the very business-like management of the brethren who conduct this mission, cannot fail to inspire confidence both in the men who are managing this work and in the work itself as well. Right here I want to say to every reader of THE CHRISTIAN, let this be the most successful year's work we have yet seen. Let every church see to it that a collection is taken up for the support of our home mission at least once a month, and that we all take the May collection in aid of the general mission in America. By so doing we shall see a grander work done in these provinces than we have ever dared to hope.

Now, too, that the brethren are going to assist Halifax to keep a preacher there regularly, to the