

From the Churches.

Denominational Funds.

Fifteen thousand dollars wanted from the churches. Nova Scotia during the present Convention year. All contributions, whether for division according to the scale, or for any one of the seven objects, should be sent to A. Oshon, Treasurer, Wolfville, N.S. Envelopes for gathering these funds can be obtained free on application.

The Treasurer for New Brunswick is Rev. J. W. Manning, D. D., St. John, N. B., and the Treasurer for P. E. Island is Mr. A. W. Sterns, Charlottetown.

All contributions from churches and individuals in New Brunswick to denominational funds should be sent to Dr. Manning; and all such contributions in P. E. Island to Mr. Sterns.

MONCTON, N. B.—At the close of the service Sunday morning Jan. 4th, Pastor D. Hutchinson baptized four young converts. Others are coming forward.

CAMBRIDGE, HANTS COUNTY, N. S.—A growing interest has been manifest in the work here. The spirit of earnest enquiry has pervaded all our services. The church has recently been strengthened by the addition of twelve, eleven by baptism and one from another church. We are already feeling the impetus of the increased enthusiasm and power in the working force of the church. The outlook for the future is promising.

M. C. HIGGINS.

MACNAQUAC, N. B.—The good work is still moving along. At our regular prayer meeting service on Thursday evening, three promising young women were received for membership and will follow their Lord next Sabbath. The addition of more than thirty young people strengthens our social services amazingly. The people of this place are very kind and considerate. A donation of \$70 in cash and a number of very useful articles. The good people from the Keswick were in evidence on that occasion. As I write our dear brother, the Rev. P. R. Knight is rapidly sinking. He bears his sufferings with great fortitude.

GEO. HOWARD.

LAWRENCETOWN, N. S.—Our church has entered upon the New Year enjoying a good degree of prosperity. The services of the church are well attended, finances in a healthy condition and a spirit of harmony and hopefulness prevails. Special services are being held during the "Week of Prayer," and we are hopeful that large spiritual blessings may soon be our portion. Through the generosity of one of our members, an Individual Communion Service is now a part of the equipment of the church. It was used last Sunday to the satisfaction of all. Its use certainly adds dignity and solemnity to the ordinance. Another member presented a polished oak Communion table. These,

AND SO

She Found How the Coffee Habit Could Be Easily Left Off.

"My husband had coffee dyspepsia for a number of years," writes a lady from Dundee, N. Y. "Coffee did not agree with him as it soured on his stomach, and he decided to stop."

"We felt the need of some warm drink and tried several things but were soon tired of them. Finally a friend told me of the good Postum Food Coffee had done her family, and I ordered a package from the grocer."

"We have used it for three years with splendid result. It agrees perfectly with his stomach and dyspepsia has entirely left him. I find in talking to people who have used Postum and not liked it that the reason is that they do not boil long enough. When prepared according to directions, it makes a beautiful, clear, golden brown beverage like the highest grade of coffee in color."

"We let the children have Postum every morning and it agrees with them nicely and they thrive on it. I am sure that if everyone using coffee would change to Postum that the percentage of invalids would be far less than it is at present." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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and like gifts from individual members, are valuable intrinsically, but cut off by the spirit of interest which they indicate.

W. L. ARCHIBALD.

TANCOOK—I have just entered upon the second year of my labors with this church. Our financial showing for the past year is very good, notwithstanding it has been a pretty hard year with the fishermen here, we have paid out for current expenses, denominational purposes, repairs on the church, etc. outside of the pastor's salary, \$307.58; balance on hand, \$34.16; preaching services well attended and interest good, Sunday School fairly good; children's mission band real good, weekly prayer meetings not very well attended, conference meetings fairly good. We are about to begin special meetings again this winter, which is the only favorable season of the year for special work, as the men are about all away fishing in the spring, summer and fall. Five were added to the church last year, one by letter. Brethren, pray for a manifestation of God's power in Tancook church.

JAS. A. PORTER

ST. MARY'S, KENT COUNTY, N. B.—It is quite a while since there has been any word from the church in St. Mary's. Here we have a community of thirty-six or forty families, part of which are Baptists—much the larger part—who have been pastors for a long time. Many words were spoken about coming men who were to take the pastorates but no one appeared, much to the wonderment of the people. Amid the work I have been engaged in I found time to spend a few Sabbaths with the brethren there. They appreciate the word of the Lord and endeavor to do all they can to forward his work among them. As a result of their efforts one awaits baptism; others are about the door of the Kingdom of heaven. May the power of the Lord be felt in the conversion of these. The people were not slow to give of their good things to the laborer as they remembered us in cash and useful necessities to the amount of thirty dollars as donation. May the Lord abundantly bless these kind friends, some of whom met in the house of Bro. Wm. West and presented us with an address of appreciation and part of the donation; on a previous occasion the first part was left at the house of Bro. K. Hicks.

C. S. STEARNS.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.—The outlook for this church at the opening of the New Year is encouraging. Although the past year has not been fruitful in many conversions, yet much good has been done. The different organizations in the church have done excellent work through the efficient and willing workers. Our Bible school, under the consecrated leadership of Bro. J. P. Gordon, is one of the best in the city. The W. M. A. S. under the direction of Mrs. Raymond has increased in numbers and interest and an excellent missionary spirit prevails among our women. The Junior Missionary Society also has been blessed and the young people have shown a deep interest in the work. The preaching services are well attended and the prayer meetings have been uplifting and increasingly spiritual. The church has raised this last year about \$2400, which shows that the spirit of giving is among us for our membership is not large. Plans are being made for increased gifts to our missionary work and 2nd Century Fund. The pastor's work is made exceedingly pleasant by constant and willing workers. Rev. G. P. Raymond is encouraged in his Sunday School plans throughout the province. A number of the friends gathered at the home of Mrs. Rose and presented Mrs. Miner with a purse of gold on her departure for a visit to N. Y. Bro. E. D. Sterns presented the gift in a neat and appropriate speech. This kindness is characteristic of the church.

J. L. MINER

ST. MARTINS, N. B.—We closed the year pleasantly, and we trust profitably, here. On Tuesday evening, Dec. 30th our mission band had a supper, entertainment and treat. This band has lately been re-organized, and is doing good work under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Ernest Vaughan. On the following night we had a church and congregational social.

Deacon A. W. Fowles occupied the chair. A good programme was rendered in keeping with the season. Deacon J. B. Titus read a brief, but interesting history of the church. Brother M. Kelly gave an eloquent address dealing with the special blessings vouchsafed to the nation and world during the year. Pastor Townsend spoke of the Great Dead of 1902, making reference to famous preachers who had recently passed away. Mrs. Ernest Vaughan gave an amusing recitation and Mrs. A. W. Fowles read a very pathetic story. Musical selections were given by members of the choir, Miss Margaret Smith presiding at the organ. At the close of the programme the chairman called for Mr. E. A. Titus, who suddenly made his appearance carrying upon his arm a very handsome fur coat which he proceeded to present to the pastor in a short, but most appreciative speech. Though taken by surprise the pastor responded in a ready and humorous fashion expressing his great gratitude for such a generous mark of appreciation. After refreshments had been served the meeting was again called to order by the pastor who spoke a few words from the text: "Watchman, what of the night?" (Isa. 21: 11-12). As midnight drew near, all heads were bowed in silent prayer, the silence being first broken by the sonorous tones of the bell as it rang its welcome to 1903.

LOCKHARTVILLE, N. S.—The work on the Baptist field at Avonport, Lockhartville, Kellyville and Bishopville has been regularly and steadily carried on. The services at all the stations have been well attended, and interest has been felt along all lines of the work. For some time past the congregation at Bishopville has been earnestly at work upon a beautiful little church, which has been completed and on January 4th was dedicated to the worship of God. The church is well planned and perfectly built. The morning service was conducted by Dr. E. M. Keirstead. The text was found in John 4: 24. The Spirit was in every word that fell from the lips of the speaker. God's wonderful love, majesty and power were brought within humanity's reach, and the hearts of the hearers were drawn very near to the Christ. The service in the afternoon was conducted by Rev. G. R. White of Hantsport. Text was found in I Cor. 3: 11. A sermon of clearness, force and truth was preached from this. The Rev. Mr. DeWolfe, of Wolfville spoke in the evening from I Cor. 2: 2. The sweetness and blessing of God's love was strongly manifested in this service also, which brought to the close a day filled with light and helpfulness. The benefit of having a house of worship is something which we all feel and for which we are all thankful. Those who have given kindly and liberally toward the building of this church have done much for the spiritual influence and growth of the young people of the community. A debt of over four hundred dollars still rests on the building. We are few in number, but we pray that God will put into the hearts of all those who are interested in his cause to help in the matter of clearing the debt. Their contributions will be most thankfully received.

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TABERNACLE, HALIFAX.—The Tabernacle church at Halifax held a very profitable social in their vestry in December. The following card was issued and sent amongst present, past members and friends:

Anniversary Social

To be given by
The Tabernacle Church,
Halifax, N. S.
Dec. 15, 1902.

We ask for a small favour, pray don't think us bold
For to-day we are twenty-eight years old.
Drop in a penny for each year of this time
We will not refuse a dollar nor even a dime
If another engagement should keep you away
The bag with your pennies our grief will allay."

A hearty response was made and the silver bags attached to this card was returned from many filled with their pennies. The counting of the contents of these bags revealed the fact that we had received over one hundred dollars. The social was a grand success, a very large number being present. Recitation and musical programme was well rendered. Refreshments were served and a grand social time was enjoyed. The Sabbath previous to this social our pastor, Rev. H. W. O. Millington, preached a very interesting and instructive sermon on the foundation of the church. During these 28 years 517 were admitted by baptism and 157 by letter making a yearly average of nearly 25, of the 86 who organized the church 54 are now living and 20 are still members of the Tabernacle. A new front has been added to the church which was used for the first time by the baptism of two candidates on the first Sabbath of the new year. The bible class at the holiday season presented their pastor and teacher with a beautiful address accompanied with an elegant gold headed black ebony cane, a very appropriate response was made by the receiver. The choir and members of the church presented choir director, A. F. Patton, who had so devotedly and successfully occupied this position for several years with an address and a magnificent piano lamp which was heartily responded to.

C. L. P.

From Rev. A. H. Hayward.

After spending three Sabbaths very pleasantly and we trust to some profit with Bro. Howard in the gracious revival at Macnaquac we came to Springfield, York county, and began work for the Master. God was pleased to manifest his saving power. Five candidates were baptized and two others restored and brought back to the Master's fold. This will greatly strengthen the little church at that place. On New Year's Eve, Bro. Clowes Reed on behalf of the friends in Springfield presented us with an address of great kindness accompanied by a present of a pair of beautiful electric seal gloves. May the Lord bless the donors and keep their hearts as warm as those gloves keep my hands. From Springfield we came to Kingsclear and Prince William and on the invitation of the pastor on the 4th inst we began our work with Bro. Sabies and have continued all this week. So far 12 young men and women have come forward and signified their desire and suppose to live a new life. The prospect seems good for an ingathering, may the Lord graciously grant it. We expect to stay here next week. A word about a superintendent of Home Missions. I have long felt this is a very desirable thing and especially as I have travelled around our mission fields to some extent for the last 8 months. The Gen. Missionary must of necessity confine his efforts to a very limited area in order to accomplish very much. Leaving all the rest of fields untouched by him, whereas the superintendent could visit all the fields and have the supervision of all the work and come in contact with the pastors and Gen. Missionary in their work. I sincerely hope such a step may be taken, as I believe under God it will prove a blessing to our weak and struggling churches.

A. H. HAYWARD.