

If any brother or sister decides to take up this good work we will be obliged to them if they will notify us as soon as possible.

Funds are needed to begin the work with. It has been decided to unite the offices of secretary and treasurer. The former secretary has been appointed such officer. Any subscriptions to the fund therefore may be remitted to him. We have received but one contribution during the month. We hope, however, that as a person has now been appointed to receive the funds that the brethren will contribute liberally and promptly.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged, .. . \$1 00  
 Henry W. Stewart, St. John, .... 1 00  
 \$2 00  
 O. B. STOCKFORD,  
 Secretary-Treasurer,  
 St. John.

News of the Churches.

ST. JOHN, N. B.

COBURG STREET.

Brother O. B. Emery preached most acceptably for us when Bro. Stewart was at the annual Bro. Fielden who has returned to St. John preached for the Portland church for Bro. Stevenson at the same time.

Bros. Stewart and Minnick exchanged on September 20th; of course everybody was pleased and wished this might take place more frequently.

Rev. Mr. Perry, who was attending the Free Baptist conference, preached a most interesting sermon in the evening. He also attended our morning service and communed with us. He seems to be deeply interested in the Disciples of Christ and keeps posted in regard to our affairs.

Bro. Stewart was suffering from a cold on October 25th and Bro. Fielden preached in the evening to a large audience who were much instructed by his sermon on the "Atonement."

The Endeavor society elected the following officers: President, A. E. Coates; Vice-President, G. F. Barnes; Secretary, J. B. Allan; Treasurer, Miss E. Hoyt. Bro. Coates is a new member and promises to be one of the best workers in the church.

Bro. J. E. Barnes and Miss Ethel Barnes attended the meeting at Worcester; they also visited Boston and New York. They speak highly of Bro. A. McLean's address on his trip around the world.

Bro. E. A. Payson, of Westport, spent two Lord's days here, cheering us with his words of exhortation. Sister Carrie Payson has been here over a month; she, with the sisters, are planning for better work in the interests of foreign missions. St. John would like to have her always.

Our young brother, Oscar Dinsmore, passed over the river on October 22nd. He was a brother of Sister J. E. Edwards, and she with the family have our deepest sympathy. He had much to live for, having a good situation and bright prospects for future prosperity. Yet, when realizing that he must leave this earthly sphere, he was able to say, "I know it is all for the best." Oscar remembered his Creator in the days of his youth and is now with loved ones in the "Better Land."

Since the above was written another member has passed away, Sister Searls, daughter of Sister Lochrey. Her end was peaceful. She read two chapters in the Bible, told her mother not to cry, settled herself back in the bed and said: "I am ready, dear Jesus, take me now," and in a few moments breathed her last. What a comfort to see our loved ones so happy in the face of death.

MAIN STREET.

Since the last notes appeared the C. E. Society elected the following officers: President, J. W. Barnes; Vice-President, Miss A. Purvis; Secretary, Miss N. Whelpley, Treasurer, A. Armstrong.

Bro. Stevenson left us on October 1st for Montague. The church desired him to remain but his health was such that he felt he could not do the work as it needed to be done. Bro. Wm. Murray kindly came to our aid and is standing by us until a permanent preacher can be secured. Our even-

ing attendance fell off considerably the next Sunday after Bro. Stevenson left, but each night since it has increased, and last Sunday evening we had a good attendance. Bro. Murray is making new friends all the time and his sermons are well spoken of. Some more of the Coburg street teachers have come to our help in the Sunday-school. We now have a splendid lot of teachers and the school will grow in numbers and interest. Sister Mabel Belyea, who has been our faithful organist, has removed to Boston. We are sorry to lose her services and it will be hard to fill her place, for she made herself useful in so many ways.

Sisters Maggie Barnes and Belle Wilson are playing for us at present.

SILVER FALLS, N. B.

Bro. Wm. Murray preached for us on Lord's day, September 27th. He had been with us a short time last July, and we were glad to have him with us again.

On Friday, October 23rd, a number of the members of the Coburg Street Church and Bro. Wm. Murray drove from the city and joined with us in a preaching and social service. Bro. W. A. Barnes conducted the prayer and social service, after which Bro. Wm. Murray preached a very impressive sermon on "Forgiveness."

Three young persons have made the good confession before angels and men, and were baptized into Christ. Others are considering this all-important matter, and we hope will follow in their footsteps.

H. SHELINGTON.

CORNWALLIS, N. S.

At our regular Lord's day morning service yesterday, three made the good confession. These are all heads of families. Besides these there are others, we feel confident, who are about decided to become Christians, and will make it manifest in the very near future. For this we have labored and prayed, and now, by the grace of God, we are reaping from some of our humble sowing.

The evangelistic meetings now being conducted in Canby in this county have helped us much to reap some of the fruits now being gathered in. I refer to the Hunter and Crossley meetings which have now been in progress nearly two weeks, and which are to be continued for some ten days yet. These meetings are doing much good in this county. That church makes a mistake, we think, which fails to co-operate with these evangelists when it is in their power to do so. There is so little that is objectionable compared to the truth that is presented, and the good that is being done, that the lover of souls forgets that little to which he might object, and enters in with all his soul to try and help these earnest men to win precious souls to Christ. This, at least, is the way I view the matter. My plan is this: I go out among our friends to whom I have been preaching the gospel, and who, I think, know their duty, and encourage them to attend those meetings, believing they are calculated to stir up a religious interest, and help men to decide for Christ. I am then on hand at all the meetings I can attend to encourage such, when they are led to decide to accept the gospel of Christ, and to show them the path of duty. In this way we are already seeing good results, not only in seeing such that had already been interested, taking their stand for Christ, but also in seeing some led to ask "What must I do to be saved," and having the privilege of teaching them the way of the Lord and taking their confessions as they are about consecrating themselves to Christ in baptism. Mr. Hunter is somewhat sensational, but he strikes some heavy blows at the popular sins of our day and unmasks much of the hypocrisy among professing Christians. The preaching of Mr. Crossley, as far as it goes, is as clear and scriptural as one can wish to hear. But one can not help wishing while listening to Mr. Crossley as he makes the matter of faith and repentance so simple and plain, and while he is taking out of the sinner's way the many obstacles that rise in his mind while trying to decide for Christ;—one, I say, cannot help wishing that he would go just a little farther and show them the way into the kingdom. But this he leaves for the preachers to do into whose hands the converts may fall; and happy is that one who receives such instruction as will lead into Christ, and assure him that he is an heir of heaven.

E. C. FORD.

October 26th, 1896.

SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

Since my last notes I have visited the church at Tignish. The day was all we could desire, and our evening congregation was large and attentive. I enjoyed my visit, and the kindness and Christian fellowship extended to me. Though the cause of Christ at the above mentioned place is contending against many discouragements, yet the little band is unwavering in the faith and in their confidence in God.

The church at Summerside is doing well and the outlook is encouraging. We have now our C. E. meeting after the Lord's day evening meeting and a greater number participate in its exercises. The band of fellowship was extended to Bro. and Sister Hill, last Lord's day. They come to us from North Bedeque and were recently baptized by Bro. D. Crawford. We heartily welcome them to our midst, and trust that their family will follow the footsteps of their parents.

On the 18th, I visited the church at Tignish and anticipate a season of refreshing. Our daily prayer to God is, that he may give us strength to discharge the duties incumbent upon us.

October 17, 1896. H. E. COOKE.

NEW GLASGOW, P. E. I.

Bro. Howard Murray's meeting at New Glasgow closed on Lord's day, 11th of October. There was a large and attentive audience the last night and one confession. Although much of the weather was stormy and the nights dark, yet the meetings all were well attended and the attention remarkable. We trust that much good will yet result from the earnest and faithful labors of our brother. While he was here twelve were immersed. Bro. Murray left here on the 13th to spend a few weeks at East Point.

D. C.

MONTAGUE, P. E. I.

Bro. Stevenson began his labors with the church here on the 4th of October. We are delighted to have him back with us again, and trust that he will win many souls for Christ. On Sunday morning, October 4th, two young ladies confessed faith in Christ, and on Sunday evening, October 18th, one other did likewise. Our meetings are largely attended.

We are building a parsonage, and expect to have it completed this fall.

A. I. M.

MAIN STREET CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Before another CHRISTIAN is issued we expect to be in possession of our lot, at a cost of \$1,000.00, this is \$500.00 less than the first price asked for it. It is a choice lot at fair price. You will see the receipts so far are much below the amount needed. Now is the time to send us help, that is if you intend helping us at all, and we hope you do.

"He that giveth quickly, giveth twice."  
 "A friend in need is a friend indeed."

To the brethren outside of St. John who have contributed to this fund we extend our hearty thanks. May many follow their example.

Previously acknowledged, .... \$359 65  
 Collected by J. Currie, .... 12 00  
 " " J. E. Barnes, .... 20 00  
 " " J. S. Flaglor, .... 10 00  
 Fullerton & Son, Pictou, N. S., .... 10 00  
 Total, .... \$411 65

Sept. 10, 1896. J. S. FLAGLOR,  
 Treasurer.

HALIFAX BUILDING FUND.

Previously acknowledged, .... \$1,793 97  
 Halifax, Bro. James Wallace, .... 5 00  
 " Sister E. Carrington, .. 1 00  
 Total, .... \$1,799 97

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 26, 1896. HENRY CARSON,  
 Treasurer.