

friends. After the funeral on Monday I went with Bro. Benjamin Vaughan and enjoyed the hospitality of his Christian family, which they know so well how to bestow till I felt able to drive home, and surely it was as bad a road as I ever undertook to drive over. I found them well and looking for me. I have had the best of care since that could be given by loving hearts in my home with Bro. John T. Wallace and family. To-morrow I intend (D. V.) to start for my home in Weymouth. I hope, by the blessing of the loving Father, that I may soon be able to return to my work here.

J. A. GATES.

West Gore, April 18th.

HALIFAX, N. S.

We have been associated, more or less, with the work and the workers in Halifax for the last ten or twelve years, and we never saw the prospect for success so promising as at the present time. The congregation is gradually increasing. Another confession last Sunday evening and others very much interested in their soul's salvation. The Sunday-school is prospering under the efficient care of Bro. Harris Wallace. Our prayer-meeting is growing better every week. Last Wednesday evening there were seventeen who took an active part in the worship. The brethren here realize that to build up here in this city means work, and they are coming up to the work nobly. Their hearts and hands and pockets are consecrated to this work. If their pockets were as full as their hearts, there would be no doubt as to the speedy success of the cause here. But just here is the unanswered question, "How can we get and sustain a permanent preacher for Halifax?" Any one who will answer this question to the satisfaction of these brethren will be suitably rewarded.

H. MURRAY.

CORNWALLIS, N. S.

After an absence of near six months we are again at home and settled down to our usual work. We left Lord's Cove, April 12th, having labored with the church there just five months. While the immediate result of our labor was not all that we could wish, there was still enough to gladden all our hearts. There were five additions by baptism, and others, some of whom had been away from their Father's house for many long years, returned to the fellowship of the church, thus greatly encouraging their brethren and bringing much joy to their own souls. In all our five months labor at Lord's Cove we had the hearty co-operation of the brethren and enjoyed our stay among them immensely. Could we have seen those we had learned to esteem so highly, many of whom, we believe, were almost persuaded to be Christians, come out from the world and consecrate their lives to the service of Christ, our joy would have been full. But we shall still pray that the lives of these may be spared, and that they may yet, in the near future, be found among the saved. For those who did take their stand so nobly on the Lord's side, we are daily praying that they may be kept from falling and be very useful in the kingdom of God's dear Son.

There is a bright future for the church in Lord's Cove, as indeed on all that island, if the children of the kingdom are but true to the charge committed to their trust. We are glad to know that Bro. R. E. Stevens is to labor with the brethren there, beginning his work the last of May, or the first week in June. Judging from his work here during the months that we have been absent, we are more than ever convinced that he will be the right man to assist the brethren in building up the cause of the Master in that very promising field of labor.

From Lord's Cove we went over to Letete and preached to the people there for a few days. Our stay there was only long enough to see what might be done. Indeed we left a week sooner than we

really need to have done, feeling assured that another week would only make it much harder for us to leave. There is a fine opening for a good meeting both at Letete and Back Bay. Could I have had at least four or five weeks to spend, I would gladly have made an effort to "set in order the things that are wanting" in those churches, and also to bring to Christ those bright and intelligent people who seem to be so anxious to see the cause of Christ prospering in their midst. I could but publicly commend the young people for their effort to keep up the Sunday-school and for their interest in the singing. We were much pleased with the singing and with our congregations, considering the state of the weather and roads, and feel assured that with a good man to labor with those two churches a grand work can be done.

We preached at Letete six times and at Back Bay once. The roads were in such a bad condition that we could not get over to the Bay as much as we hoped to do. And when we did go we had but few out to meeting, as the word had not gotten out as we expected. We talked with some of the brethren, and all seem anxious to see the work of the Lord prospering in their midst, and feel the need of a good man to break to them the word of life and to lead them in the great work of saving souls. My prayer is that such a man may be found, and that the cause of Christ may again prosper in that field, as in days gone by.

From Letete we came to St. John and spent a few days there very pleasantly, as we always do, when permitted to enjoy this privilege. The brethren there are truly alive to the interest of the cause in that city, and have great cause to feel encouraged. Bro. Stewart is doing all any one man can do, and is very successful in his work, and has a large place in the hearts of his brethren.

We were disappointed in not being able to remain longer in Halifax, as we only had about one hour and a half there. But we make the best possible use of this short time in seeing quite a number of the brethren and taking a look at the pretty little meeting-house and in talking of the interest of the work there. We found Bro. Murray very hopeful as to the future, and judging by the smiling faces of the brethren we met, all are feeling happy. But when I have more time I have a word to say on behalf of the work in Halifax.

I find the work here in Cornwallis has been kept up with an unusual regularity all winter, and the appointments at Cold Brook and Sheffield's Mills have been regularly filled.

Many are the good words that I hear of the faithfulness of Bro. R. E. Stevens, who has taken charge of the work here in my absence, and of the efficiency of his work. But my letter has grown long enough. We are thankful to be again at home, though we have had a very enjoyable winter, the recollection of which will always be pleasant, and to find all well. We are being heartily welcomed by all.

E. C. FORD.

Port Williams, April 27, '93.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.

Our meetings are fairly good with a continually increasing interest. Three baptized recently and one confession in our meeting last evening. This seeming growth is in our regular meetings—no special effort being made. We hope for an increase in membership, in unity and in influence. We hope, also, that every member of the church will seek more and more the things which make for peace and for the edification of the body.

My desire and prayer is that the little church in Charlottetown may long stand as a support of the light which is revealed to a dark world in the gospel of the grace of God.

My labor with the church will terminate the last of June, but I hope ere that date there will be a better report. It cheers my heart to see men and

women accepting the salvation so freely offered to the world through the Lord Jesus Christ.

In "Alphabet for Young Readers," in the April CHRISTIAN, at the letter "P," the printer put "passions" for "possessions," thereby destroying both rhyme and sense.

O. B. E.

April 24th, 1893.

NORTH SOMERVILLE, MASS.

Bro. Bowell left us on the 9th to assist Bro. Darst in the work in Boston. We were all very sorry to have our meetings, which proved to be so successful, come to a close. Bro. Darst came out and preached for us on Monday evening, the 10th, and our four weeks series of meetings closed.

In looking over the work done, we have great reason to be thankful to the giver of all good gifts, for, not only has our members been increased, but we ourselves have been greatly benefitted.

There was twenty-five confessions during the four weeks, seventeen baptisms and two united by letter from Baptist churches. Some are to be baptized at our next prayer-meeting, while some are sick. Our congregation has continued to increase since Bro. Bowell left, which shows that the good work is not yet ended.

At our evening meeting last Lord's day, one more confession, and some are thinking the matter over seriously.

A new board of officers is to be elected next Lord's day.

Bro. David Jardine was re-elected Sunday-school superintendent; Bro. McPhee, assistant; Bro. Currie, secretary; Sister Yeomans, Treasurer.

On Tuesday evening, April 18th, a large number of our members took the South End Tabernacle, Boston, by storm, and visited Bro. Darst and Bro. Bowell in a body. A great many of our members have attended Bro. Bowell's meetings in Boston. He has won a place into the hearts of the people in the district, and if he ever returns will be received with open arms and large audiences. A large number of new members have been added to our Y. P. S. O. E. within the last four weeks.

We can say with feelings of thankfulness that the interest keeps up, the attendance last Lord's day evening being as good as any during the meetings. This is very pleasing to see, and warrants us in saying that good seed has been sown and will soon bear much fruit.

Let us all look us Him who rules above for guidance and strength, and with the word of God as our guide and Jesus as our King, carry the glorious work along, until Him, whom we have accepted as our King, shall say, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of the Lord."

R. CURRIE.

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H. A. DEVOE,
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Halifax, N. S.