

the society of my brethren here. A more kind and affectionate people will seldom be found anywhere. Every act of courtesy is extended that kindness can suggest. But the church here is very much scattered. Nevertheless, I shall endeavor to stir them up. A good live hornet will stir up a whole camp meeting. You know the Apostle Paul exhorts us to provoke each other to love and good works. Dear brother, how important it is that we should be true to ourselves, true to our fellow-beings, true to our brethren, and true to our God. Then will we be enabled to pluck success from the spear-proof crest of rugged danger, and rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory. But I must close, wishing you unbounded happiness and prosperity—

Kind friends to love you dearly
And honest ones to chide,
And dearest friends to cling to you
Whatever may betide.

WEST GORE, JUNE 9TH.—I concluded to address you this morning while all around is dark and dreary and the rain is falling fast. I am now in this place in the midst of a very pleasant meeting. The Macedonian cry all around is, "Come and hold a meeting for us." I have averaged considerably over preaching once a day since I came to this county. I baptized two here since I came, but I have only been here a few days. I baptized two at Highfield. I have enjoyed myself very much since I came, and the kindest treatment has been extended to me, not only by the brethren, but also by the members of the various denominations. The harvest is indeed already ripe. Our congregations here have been good, and the probability is in two weeks time we will organize a church in Highfield. I do not know yet whether I shall take my extended trip as was anticipated, but I think of remaining to build up the churches in this county till I return home.

Yesterday was spent with our dear brother John B. Wallace, and had a very happy day. You will, doubtless, remember their dear daughter Edith. She is sinking rapidly with the consumption, but in her decline she is beautiful, while a halo of glory sits gently on her brow. Bro. Wallace is a most excellent man. W. K. BURR.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

At the International Sunday School Convention, held in Chicago, Dr. John A. Broadus, of Louisville, Ky., speaking on the subject of Sunday-schools, said:

"I think it may be said that the Sunday-school work, which had a very small beginning and very limited expectations, has come to be one of the greatest and best elements of civilization. Now when anything is great and good, the best thing we can do is to improve it. I intend to point out what I consider to be the faults and faulty tendencies of the Sunday-school work of to-day. One great danger is to forget that it is a Sunday-school in which teaching is to be done. Too many of us teach by wholesale, like machines, and very often there is very little opportunity for valuable personal contact with the scholar. The superintendent naturally thinks most about running the machine, about those things which the school does as a unit, and very often overlooks what the teachers do. I know one superintendent who actually preferred to cut the teaching time down to twenty minutes, simply because some teachers got through before the others. Now, the Sunday-school is a school, and the teaching done is the noblest that is done outside of the chamber where the mother instills the first ideas of virtue into the mind of her child, and the divine lessons taught in the pulpit.

"A minister, to teach effectively from the pulpit, needs to have personal piety, a knowledge of the Scripture and a knowledge of human nature.

"All these things are essential to the Sunday-school teacher as well, and he should take every opportunity to qualify himself for his high work.

"An English preacher was attracting great

crowds in New York, and I asked a friend what it was that took him from his business to hear the man. He said: "I find that the preacher knows just my spiritual wants, and, when he has shown them to me, he does not tell me what he thinks about them, but turns to God's word and reads me his truths about them, pours his divine balm into my wounds, and I go away healed and strengthened. This is an epitome of the business of a preacher and of a teacher. We should give all possible opportunity to those who are devoted to the great work of teaching, and should do all we can to bring together the teacher and pupil with all the advantages which can be given them to accomplish God's holy will."

News of the Churches.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

ST. JOHN.

One young man confessed the Saviour and was baptized since last report.

An increased attendance at our various services is noticed. On Lord's day especially we are having an increased interest.

Our Sunday-school is also sharing in increased prosperity. Last Lord's day we had the largest attendance for years.

Carpenters are at work repairing our meeting house, which, when completed, will be more comfortable and attractive.

At a large meeting of the church held last evening, it was unanimously resolved to hold the "Annual" in St. John this September. The deacons were appointed to make suitable arrangements.

P. E. ISLAND.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Christian Association of P. E. Island will be held with the Church at New Glasgow, commencing Saturday before the second Lord's day in July, business closing the following Monday evening.

Persons coming from Nova Scotia or New Brunswick to attend this Association, will, on the boats, be required to show certificates from their several churches, showing that they are delegates to the meeting. This will entitle them to tickets for one first class fare, which will, with the certificate of the Moderator, give them a free return.

On the P. E. Island Railway, it will be necessary to mention at the station of purchase of tickets, that the persons are delegates, and then they will be allowed to retain their tickets on the cars, which, with the certificate of the Moderator, will entitle them to return.

The Secretary, Bro. Robert Stewart, Lot 48, will give through the papers, all information about reduction of fares on lines of travel.

O. B. EMERY, Moderator.

NOTES.

A word to my friends in the province might not be amiss. I am at New Glasgow, P. E. I., with Bro. Crawford. He, with two of the brethren at Charlottetown, were at the wharf when the steamboat arrived, and gave me a hearty welcome.

For some time doubts have lingered in my mind concerning the advisability of my preaching the Gospel of Christ, but the way has been made clear, and to-day I rejoice in the fact that one more laborer has given himself to the glorious work of spreading the "good news" in the earth. The idea of taking a medical course has, after long hesitation and due consideration, been laid aside. If it is God's will, the remainder of my life will be spent wholly in His blessed service.

Bro. Murray has not failed to encourage me in the "fight."

After the closing exercises at the college, Bro.

Ford invited me to his new home at Port Williams for a few days. Those were happy days. Their kind and encouraging words were not only heard on earth, but they certainly reached the "heavenly portals." May the Lord bless the efforts of Bro. Ford and family in advancing the kingdom of Christ.

Your brother in Christ,
T. S. K. FREEMAN.

Married.

CAMPBELL-STEWART.—At the residence of the bride's father, Peter Stewart, Esq., June 14, 1887, by O. B. Emery, Mr. George D. Campbell, Montague, and Miss Minnie M. Stewart, Commercial Cross. All of Township 59, P. E. I.

Died.

AOKLAN.—At his home, near York River, P. E. I., on the 17th of December, 1886, Bro. Richard Acklan, in his 80th year. In early life he, with his beloved partner, came from England to this Island, where they have since remained, bringing up a family in industry and respectability. Many years ago Bro. and Sister Aoklan united with the Baptist church. Over thirty years ago being convinced of the scriptural position of the Disciples, they cast in their lot with them. Our brother had a clear head and an honest heart, and could not be satisfied with anything religious which he could not learn from the Bible. He died peacefully, resting on the merits of Jesus, leaving his aged companion in poor health, but strong in the faith and hope of the gospel. May a merciful Father sustain her till called away to be forever with the Lord.

ANDREWS.—Bro. John Andrews died at his home near New Glasgow, P. E. I., on the 23rd of May, 1887, in his 90th year. He had an earnest love for the truth as it is in Jesus, and Jesus and His love was his theme to the last. He was a native of England, but spent most of his life on this Island, and was for many years a zealous member of the church of Christ, and peacefully passed away in the faith of Jesus, blessed with sound and vigorous mind to the last. D. C. 4

GATES.—Affliction is the common lot of all. The messenger in his sable robe has visited our dwelling, and our hearts are all filled with sorrow, as we miss the prattle of dear little Ethel. It seems hard to say "The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." God has taken her home. O that we may meet her there. She died on Sunday morning, June 5th, of diphtheritic croup, aged three years, five months and twenty-eight days. May God comfort us in our sorrow. J. A. GATES.

Woodville, June 27, 1887.

BARKER.—At her home, 291 Germain street, on Friday morning, June 10th, in her 31st year, Anna E., wife of H. W. Barker. She was the youngest daughter of our highly esteemed and beloved Brother and Sister J. J. Christie, both of whom survive her. Although all hope of her recovery had for some time been given up by her friends, still she clung to life and hoped, till within a few days of her death, to regain her health. During her sickness every thing that loving hearts and willing hands could do was done for her recovery. Being of a cheerful disposition she had a kind word and smile for all. She was an earnest Christian, a devoted wife, a kind mother, and a sincere friend. To use her own words, "I want to live, not that I am afraid to die, but I feel as though my mission on earth is not finished." On the morning of the 10th, as the time of her departure drew near, there stood around her bed a grief-stricken family,—her husband, two dear children, father, mother, three sisters and a few others. She bade them all farewell, sent messages of love to others, "And tell them," said she, "to meet me in heaven." A day or so before she died, being requested to write something in an autograph album, she wrote, "God is our refuge and strength—a very present help in trouble." May God's richest blessing rest upon her loved ones, and lift their thoughts and aspirations heavenward, that their names may be written in the Lamb's Book of Life and at last meet in that beautiful home the whole wife, the mother, the daughter is not lost but gone before. T. H. C.