

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. COHORN, Treasurer, Wolfville, N. S. Envelopes for gathering these funds can be obtained free on application.

The Treasurer for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, to whom all contributions from the churches should be sent, is REV. J. W. MANNING, ST. JOHN, N. B.

PORT LORNE, N. S.—At a meeting of members of the Hampton and Wilnot Mountain churches held at St. Croix, Nov. 5th, an unanimous call was given to the Rev. L. J. Tingley to the pastorate of these churches for a period of six months. We trust his labors will be successful in ministering to the spiritual needs of this field.

A. C. CHARLTON, Church Clerk.

INDIAN HARBOR, N. S.—We are enjoying the Master's presence at this place. 8 young men and 4 young women were baptized and joined the church here yesterday, others are seeking pardon. Bro. Langille will continue the meetings here this week. I shall begin meetings at W. Dover this week. Pray that God's Word may have its desired effect upon hearts and lives of the people at this place.

MARPLE.

Nov. 4th.

SPRINGHILL, N. B.—The long suspense in regard to the pastorate is ended, and the people are preparing, prayerfully and materially for the coming of Bro. Estabrook. We missed the genial presence of the veteran Bancroft; but had a pleasant experience on Sunday, 10th. The word was with power, the singing enlivening, and a brisk meeting of the Y. P. B. U. closed the labors of the day.

D. A. S.

FIVE ISLANDS.—Evangelists Baker and McLean have been with us in a campaign of special services with the Baptist church here and as a result sixteen young people were baptized and received into fellowship with us. I baptized one more at Bass River on Oct. 20th and welcomed another also who was restored to membership, making in all 46 which I have had the pleasure of welcoming into these churches this summer. Pray for us, that the work may still go on.

F. E. ROOP.

BROOKLINE, MASS.—This church, of which Rev. A. A. Shaw, formerly of Windsor, N. S., is pastor, held its annual business meeting, Oct. 25. Fifteen have been baptized, twenty received by letter and two by experience during the year. The report of the treasurer of benevolent contributions showed a total of \$3600 raised during the year (including some private contributions). The attendance at the various services showed an increase of 40 per cent. over the previous year. The pastor is preaching on Sunday evenings a short series of sermons to young men.

SOSSUK, N. B.—A very interesting service was held on the last Sunday evening in Oct. It was the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the church. A history of the church covering these 30 years was prepared by the pastor and read by the clerk of the church. The church roll was called and 68 responded. A thank-offering was taken amounting to about \$60. In addition to this a friend who has been identified with the work from the very first, and who has given generously of his means all these years offered \$50 towards purchasing new cushions for the seats.

W. CAMP.

ADVOCATE, N. S.—Permit me through the columns of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR to thank the people of Advocate for continued kindness. Never have we been among a people who more frequently remembered their pastor in his temporal wants. Our stay with them has been one year and four months and during that time they have visited the parsonage on five different occasions bringing to us food, clothing and money. Their last visit being on the evening of Nov. 2nd, 1901, leaving us thirty-one dollars in cash. These gatherings with many other manifestations of kindness together with a well paid up salary are worthy of our thanks expressed by every means possible. We truly have a people who are with their pastor in the great work.

O. R. STREVE, Pastor.

HATFIELD, N. B.—For some time diphtheria has been making sad desolation in our land. On Sabbath morning,

October 20th, Della Hewitt Field showed symptoms of the dreaded disease, and on Friday the 25th, at nine a. m., in the presence of her parents, her spirit returned to God; and before the setting of the sun, her mortal remains were consigned to the earth. From her infancy she was remarkable for sweetness of disposition, which endeared her to her parents and friends. This mysterious stroke, so unlooked for and unexpected, led us almost to join in the lamentations of Job, "My purposes are broken." While only four years and one month old, we rejoice in the fact that her sweet childish testimony bears hope of a glorious immortality.

W. M. F.

Nov. 7.

ST. JOHN, WEST.—Work in the Carleton church continues to be prosecuted with a measure of vigor. Besides interior improvements made early in the year, the central tower has been taken away and a new tower and spire built at corner with class-room additions for Sunday-School so affording the congregation a modern and convenient edifice. All the services of the church are of a most interesting and refreshing character and the finances are in a most healthy condition—upwards of \$1275 in cash having been raised during the year for church improvements alone. In the afternoon of Sunday, Nov. 3rd, the Sunday School had its annual Rally when addresses were made and reports of an encouraging character presented by the Superintendents and Secretaries of the various departments. In the evening the pastor preached the anniversary sermon.

B. N. NOBLE.

Nov. 5.

SMITH'S COVE.—Baptized ten on the 3rd inst and others are expected to come forward. The meetings led by Mr. C. W. Walden for the deepening of the spiritual life of the Smith's Cove church, have resulted in a great awakening and a large body of its members have been united as true yoke fellows for the gospel. The meetings have been of unusual revival interest, and the victory of faith is the more highly prized because so fiercely contested. The series was planned for two weeks, but at the close the demand was imperative for their continuance. Large numbers have gathered night after night, and have remained in prayer for four and five hours at a time. The church has been greatly quickened, and the joy of salvation has been restored to many backsliders. It has been a time of prayer and heart-searching and the sifting process has divided the chaff from the wheat. Mr. Walden leaves the present week for Ontario, whither he has been called by urgent message to engage in special work there for the next few months.

WARD FISHER.

BAILLIE, CHARLOTTE COUNTY.—We have encouragements and discouragements to report. Discouragements in the removal of valuable members, especially of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Meredith. Mr. Meredith is a philanthropist as well as a born leader of men. What is our loss to the church at Melin, Wis. Encouragements in additions. Eighteen came out in the meeting held at Brockway, part of the field. Ten were baptized, some were not permitted, others unfortunately had to leave the place before they had a chance to unite with the church. This has not been the first time we have visited the baptismal waters since coming to this field. In the last eighteen months we have baptized five times and nineteen united. Seven more are to be received on experience the next meeting at Brockway. I wish to acknowledge the kindness of the people of Brockway, who on the night of Oct. 19th, gathered at the home of Deacon E. Smith, where a pleasant evening was spent and leaving the pastor better off by over \$25. May the Lord bless this dear people.

C. J. STREVE.

COLLINA, KINGS COUNTY, N. B.—The Studholm Baptist church recently held their 61st anniversary. A large number were present on this important occasion. Rev. W. Camp preached a Thanksgiving sermon suitable to the occasion. The church roll was called and 48 responded to their names. A thankoffering was taken amounting to \$37.52. A letter from Dr. Keirstead, now travelling in Europe, was received too late to be read at this meeting, but later in the presence of a large congregation Bro. Jacob I. Keirstead, brother of the Dr., read this fraternal greeting. The letter abounded in reminiscences and dealt with the religious atmosphere the Dr. breathed when a boy. Evidently deep and lasting impressions were made upon the mind of the lad which have gone with him

all his life and have been one of the factors of his deeply religious life. Rev. E. K. Ganong being present made a stirring address. Rev. I. B. Colwell took part in the service. Mr. Colwell has just closed a series of evangelistic meetings in this place which have been the means of leading some souls to Christ and strengthening the members of the church. He left with the good wishes of the community.

CANARD.—After five months on this field I am able to report a pleasant situation, an aggressive people and some progress material and spiritual. Our house of worship at Upper Canard is now almost a model of beauty and comfort, over sixteen hundred dollars having been spent upon it. The houses at Lower Canard and Port Williams are also being improved, and the parsonage has not been neglected. We have received many tokens of kindness and good-will from the people, with whom it is a delight to labor. I have recently baptized two young women, Minnie Pearl and Mildred Fraser, and two men, Earnest Blackburn and John Magee. Mrs. Blackburn has joined us by letter from Cambridge, N. S. Our church holds a roll call about Dec. 6. We are preparing to do our part toward the "Century Fund," which we trust will be pushed vigorously in all our churches.

D. E. HATT.

VIZIANAGRAM, IND.—Rev. R. Sanford writes on Oct. 1st:—DEAR MESSENGER AND VISITOR:—Kindly let me report to your readers the addition, on Sunday last, of four new disciples by baptism; and one other received on experience. These, together with others previously added, make twenty-one who have been received into the Vizianagram mission church during the past nine months of this year. The Lord be praised for whatever of good there is among us. We are looking for an increase of blessing on this field. We believe it is his will to turn many others into the way of righteousness in the near future. Our third Quarterly Meeting for 1901 has just closed. Including Sunday it occupied four days. The Christians seemed to have profited much by the work of Bible Study during the quarter.

ACADIA MINES.—There were ten persons baptized at Acadia Mines on Sunday, Nov. 3rd, on a profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus, and united with the Baptist church in that place. Rev. A. F. Baker and Bro. H. A. McLean have completed a series of special meetings which has been a great blessing to the town and a greater blessing to the Baptist church. Brother McLean sings the gospel very sweetly, and any person who has music in his soul must come to hear him sing, and thus they meet a young man of beautiful Christian character—a choice soul. Bro. Baker preaches the good old gospel of the Son of God. Rain through sin, Redemption through the blood and Regeneration through the spirit. No one can study the history of the church without seeing that there are times when God comes specially near to bless and save. There never was an Ethiopian Eunuch going on his journey reading that Scripture where it is said: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter, And as a lamb before his shearer is dumb, so he opened not his mouth," without there being a Philip to Jesus the Christ, and to begin at the Scriptures and preach unto him, Jesus. There never was a Cornelius in Caesarea, giving alms to the people and praying to the Lord always, without there being a Peter passing through an experience which will qualify him to enter the man's house, and declare of a truth, God is no respecter of persons but in every nation he that feareth him and worketh righteous is acceptable to him." The Home Mission Band has done well to put such earnest and devoted men into the evangelistic work in connection with our churches and no doubt we will have a good account of them whom God in his providence may direct. We ask for them the prayers of all who are interested in the unsaved, and that large blessings may come to many of our smaller and widely scattered churches through them. We hope to baptize at Great Village next Sunday.

Yours in service,

C. H. MARTELL.

District Meeting.

The Associational meeting for the district of Guysboro County, Port Hawkesbury and Antigonish was held with the church at Hawkesbury, Oct. 29th and 30th. Pastors Robinson, Lawson, Quirk, Chipman, Berrie (He), and Whitney (He) were

present, besides delegates from Goldboro, Guysboro, Country Harbor, Goshen and Half Island Cove. Early in the meeting Pastor Robinson was called home by the intelligence that Mrs. Robinson's father had very suddenly been called away from earth. Bro. Robinson had recently stood by the bedside of his mother in the home of death, and earnest prayer was made at the meeting that God would richly comfort and sustain both pastor and his wife.

On Tuesday evening Bro. Berrie, of Queensport, preached a searching sermon from Prov. 1: 24-26. The reports from the churches given on Wednesday morning were encouraging and hopeful. Every church in the district except the one with which the meeting was held, is at present under pastoral care and it is expected that the Baptists of Hawkesbury will very soon have an under-shepherd to care for their interests in that town. Several churches reported baptisms during the summer. Guysboro county has a number of small, weak churches, and a resolution strongly urging the H. M. Board to send evangelists Baker and McLean to the county this winter was passed unanimously at the meeting.

On Wednesday afternoon helpful discussions took place on the subjects of Family Worship and Church Discipline. Pastor Quirk, lately settled at Guysboro, preached on Wednesday evening; and the sermon, a forceful and touching presentation of the gospel, was followed by an after-meeting of heart-searching power.

O. N. CHIPMAN, Sec'y. protem.

Acadia University.

FROM OCT. 15 TO JIST.

G. D. Messenger, \$1; Mon T. R. Black, \$125; R. A. & E. B. Christie, \$253; R. T. Taylor, \$2; Aubrey B. Rand, \$1; Wm. G. Johnston, \$25; M. A. Bigelow, \$12.50; S. L. Colpitta, \$10; Mrs. Florence E. Anderson, \$1; H. P. Cox, \$2; J. K. Hubley, \$3; Josiah Jodrey, \$1; George Wilson, \$4; S. V. Sanford, \$2.50; John Chaloner, Reg. \$5; Mamie Chaloner, \$1; L. M. Smith, \$250; Rev. A. S. Lewis and wife, \$6; Reuben Harlow, \$5; Zilpha M. Banks, \$2; T. C. Steele, \$1; A. M. Hunter, \$1 and W. H. Goucher, \$6.25.

A. COHORN, Treas. Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S., Nov. 4th.

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FROM OCT. 15TH TO NOV. 1ST, 1901.

Immanuel church, Truro, \$17.60; Canso, \$21.95; Weymouth, \$11; New Minas, \$5; do special, \$1.77; Annsley, Bishop, \$5; do Minas, \$5; Waterville, Kings, \$5.40; Black Rock, \$2.40; Arcadia S. S., \$2.20; Newport, \$1.50; Port Williams S. S., special, \$25; do \$2.61; Shubal J. Dimock, Newport, \$35; Digby Neck, 2nd, \$4; Grafton, \$3.10; Hampton, \$8; do special, \$4; S. S., do \$1; Lower Granville, \$7; Canard, \$24; Isaac's Harbor, \$25; Dartmouth, \$16.65; Rawdon, special, \$4.50. \$233.68. Before reported, \$707.54. Total \$941.22.

A. COHORN, Treas. Den. Funds, Wolfville, N. S., Nov. 4th, 1901.

Twentieth Century Fund.

RECEIPTS TO NOV. 5TH.

E. J. Anderson, Immanuel church, Truro, \$15; Nictaux church, \$10; Isaac's Harbor church, \$10; Mrs. Bradford Hilton, Yarmouth, to place the names of her parents, Andrew and Eliza Goudy on "Memorial Roll."

CORRECTION.

Instead of \$1.25 as reported in MESSENGER AND VISITOR of Aug. 28, from C. H. Harrington, read \$125. This is Mr. Harrington's 1st payment on his pledge of \$500.

A. COHORN, Treas.

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