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Cape Breton Quarterly Meeting.

The Cape Breton quarterly meeting convened at Port Hawkesbury, Tuesday, March 17th. The morning session opened at 10 o'clock with Rev. D. G. McDonald, district chairman in the chair. All Baptist churches on the island were represented by the following delegates: Hawkesbury, Pastor R. Mutch, Bro. McPhee, McVain and Millie sisters Langley; Campbell, McPherson, Williams, Sayre, and Miss Mutch. Sydney, Pastor C. W. Allen, Miss Bessie Grant and Mrs. William Munn; North Sydney, Pastor Rev. D. G. McDonald ; Glace Bay, Pastor Rev. F. Beattie ; Gabarous, Porcubie and Grand Mira, Pastor Rev. W. A. Snelling; Port Marion, Homeville and Mira, Pastor R. A. McPhee; Margaree, Bro. G. E. Everett; Mabou, Miss E. Prince and Miss M. Fraile. After devotional exercises followed a paper by Bro. Mutch on the Atonement. Also one by Bro. Beattie on How to preach the Atonement. These brethren were requested to send copies of their papers to MESSENGER AND VISITOR for publication, where they will speak for themselves. The afternoon session was devoted to discussion on the atonement and how to preach the atonement, and reports from the churches which were very encouraging, especially from North Sydney; after which Bro. McPhee gave us a very interesting and profitable paper on Christian Church Fellowship. The evening session was devoted to missions. The different missions were discussed by the following brethren : What has Acadia University done for our churches? by Bro. McPhee ; Home Missions, Bro. Snelling ; Manitoba and Northwest, Bro. Allen ; Foreign Missions, Bro. McDonald ; Grande Ligne, Bro. Beattie. We trust that the addresses were the means of inspiring missionary zeal in all present. A collection of $2.77 for missions was taken. Bro. Snelling's Methodist, who kindly postponed his services was present and was invited to a seat on the platform. The meeting Wednesday morning was largely taken up in making arrangements for next meeting in June, also discussion in the interest of Margaree and Louisburg, and Bros. McDonald and Ross, of North Sydney, were appointed a committee to aid in settling a pastor at Margaree, and Bro. Beattie and McPhee were appointed a committee to assist in establishing a mission at Louisburg. Then Bro. McDonald gave us a profitable address on the duty of the church to the Sunday school. Bro. C. W. Raymond, pastor from New Glasgow, was present and was invited to a seat and rendered us valuable assistance. The afternoon meeting was devoted to a paper by Bro. Everett on how to win souls by Christ and discussion by several brethren. The evening meeting was an evangelistic service. Bro. Snelling was the preacher. He took his text from Acts 4:10, and presented a good gospel sermon, after which Bro. Raymond in the absence of Bro. McDonald led an aftermeeting in which many took part; the service was one of power. At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was extended to the friends who so kindly entertained us at their homes, and Bro. Raymond spoke of the great loss their church had sustained in the loss of their house of worship, and how they were being encouraged to arise and build the walls, because of the money that was coming from many sources. A collection of $6 was taken for them, after which closed a very profitable series of meetings to meet again on Tuesday, June 16th, at Gabarous. The purpose of the brethren is to strengthen the weak churches. Program for next meeting will be published later.

W. A. ALLEN,
Sec. pro tem.

Yarmouth County Quarterly Meeting.

On Tuesday, March 24th, the Yarmouth County quarterly meeting convened with the West Yarmouth church, Rev. N. B. Thomas pastor. The day was fine and the attendance, therefore, large. The reports from the churches were interesting, and showed that good work in many lines of service is being done by the Lord's people in this county. The subjects discussed were of absorbing interest, timely and well handled. They were: Is there a set time to favor Zion; or, when can a church expect a revival of religion? by Rev. H. B. Saunders; "Church Discipline" by Rev. D. H. McQuarrie; and "What should be the attitude of Baptists towards the Manitoba school question?" by Rev. J. H. Foshay. The sermon in the evening by Rev. T. A. Blackadar, struck just the right line of thought for the occasion. His theme was "Christ cannot be hid;" his text: "But he could not be hid." Mark 7: 24, last clause. The evangelistic meeting, which followed was led by Rev. F. R. Foster, and was one of unusual power.

The day thus spent with pastor Thomas and his noble band of workers was profitable to all present. It afforded a social advantage, an intellectual stimulus, and a spiritual uplift.

A very noticeable feature of the meeting was the marked change in the personnel in the ministry of our county. Within the past year good men have gone to labor elsewhere and good men, with the exception of the writer, have succeeded them, and the new men are in the majority. Pastors White, Foshay, Bishop and Munroe, have been holding forth the Word of Life faithfully during what may be called long pastorates in their county. But of ministerial change and interest, They are now re-enforced in this good work, by pastors Saunders, Foster, Blackadar, Thomas, McQuarrie, and Tingley. Nearly all of us have been under the the days of Auld Lang Syne," and we are delighted to meet again, and associate in the work of the

Lord on such solid Baptist ground as we find in Yarmouth County. We are all in perfect accord and are working and praying for the blessing of God upon the churches we serve as well as upon the whole world. J. W. TINGLEY, Sec'y.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

Churches and individuals contributing to the work of the denomination should send their contributions to the treasurers of the denominational funds. Rev. A. Cohoon, Wolfville, N. S. is treasurer of Maritime Convention funds for Nova Scotia. Rev. W. Manning, St. John N. B. is treasurer of Maritime Convention funds for New Brunswick and P. E. Island. J. S. Titus Esq., of St. Martins, is treasurer of the funds of the N. B. Convention.

BRUSSELS STREET CHURCH.—Two members, mother and daughter, were received into fellowship on the 5th inst.

LIVERPOOL, N. S.—March 1st ult. I baptised six believers, three young women and three young men. Others have professed conversion and we hope they will follow. ZENAS L. FASH.
April 6.

GIBSON, N. B.—Herman Morehouse and wife were received for baptism at our regular conference meeting, and will be baptised next Lord's Day in the morning. Others have recently professed faith in Christ and we trust may see their way clear to make a public profession of their faith.

KIRKVILLE.—Rev. P. O. Weeks has closed his labors with the church here. His removal is regretted by the church and by the town. He entered upon the pastorate here in 1892. His sermons have been able and his ministry attracted a large congregation. He bears with him the sincere regard of our people.

CAMBRIDGE, N. S.—On Sabbath the 5th inst., I had the pleasure of receiving eight into the fellowship of the church. Three . by baptism and five by letter seven were in the Waterville section and one at Coldbrook. Others are received for baptism, and the outlook is hopeful.
R. O. READ.

TRUESVILLE, N. B.—On Easter morn we baptised three promising young men at Hillsdale. In the afternoon at this place, five happy obedient believers reminded us again of His resurrection as from the watery grave they were to walk by a living faith in a living Christ. More will follow. R. M. BYRON.
April 10.

MACNAQUAC.—I have resigned my charge as pastor of this group of churches, to take effect the first Sabbath in May. During my three years pastorate here there has been no extensive revival, but we believe God's blessing has rested upon the work. In that time I have baptised twenty-three besides welcoming others—being received by letter. While we cannot report many conversions, God's people have been engaged, heart and hand, in work along another line. The Keswick people have done some repairing on their church and now they have a neat and attractive little house of worship, and it is needless to repeat what has already been said so recently through the MESSENGER AND VISITOR in reference to the new house at Kingsclear. For sometime this people at Macnaquac have been agitating over some expensive repairs or building anew, at last it is decided to build a new house with cost of $2000. Already nearly $1500 has been pledged. Feeling that God is directing me elsewhere, I drop this work right here with an earnest prayer that God will direct a man with a strong constitution and a stayable mind to this field at once to take up this work. Yours in the work. O. E. STEEVES.

HAMPSTEAD.—The past few days here have been full of good things for us here. At our conference last week a large number were present and nearly twenty-four gave verbal testimony in twenty minutes. A number were received for baptism and three by letter. Steps were taken toward securing a $400 organ for the church. Beautiful enlarged pictures of three old deacons, Peleg Holmes, Wm. Davison and Rev. Davison, (the first two have gone to their reward while the last still tarries with us,) have been secured and hung up in the vestry. The influence of these faces contributed largely toward a good start Sunday morning. At eleven o'clock the church was crowded. Thirteen young people were baptised and eighteen welcomed into the church, which make in all, during the past five months, thirty baptised and forty-eight received. Over two hundred members were present at communion. At the Sunday school two hundred and sixty-four were in attendance. In the evening the church was again crowed to listen to a very excellent programme. The collection, which was for missions, amounted to $41.52. Easter Sunday was a day long to be remembered in the Hampsport church. D. E. HATT.
April 8.

NEW BETHLEHEM, PENN., U. S. A.—I have been supplying the church in this town for nearly three months. The church was in a divided state when I came but I am glad to say there is a much better feeling now. About three weeks ago, Rev. L. J. Shoemaker, of Clarion, the country town about 10 miles from here, came and assisted in some special meetings, which lasted for twelve nights. The meetings were very quiet and the attendance not very large. The power of the Holy Spirit was felt in our midst from the first and many came and confessed Christ as their Saviour and Redeemer. The first to come out was a young man from a Presbyterian family and the next one from a Methodist family. On the 26th of March I had the pleasure of baptising six young men and the next evening six other believers were buried with Christ in baptism. Last Sunday I gave the right hand of fellowship to the twelve baptized and to one young man received on profession. Although the meetings were quiet and the attendance not very large we feel that we did not stop and last evening I had the joy of baptising eight more converts, thus making twenty-one accessions to the church; all these are young people from nine to eighteen years of age, with one exception, mother of a family. Two came from the Presbyterians, one from the Methodists and one from the Evangelical or Albright church. Another young man of Methodist family has been converted in our meetings but his friends are unwilling to have him join the Baptist church. Our church here is composed largely of those who have come from other denominations. We have flourishing junior and senior B. Y. P. U. organizations with upwards of 50 members each. New Bethlehem is a town of some 1200 population, 82 miles Northeast of Pittsburgh. Lumbering, coal mining and farming are the chief occupations.
April 9. J. HOWARD BARSS.

THREE months old, which showed its sixty-one special envelopes were used. Amount contributed in cash, seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars. Both services were largely attended. In the evening house was filled as usual; expressions of good feeling were heard on all sides; pastor and people encouraged; prospects brightening. The interest increases in every department of our work. Will have baptism first Sunday in May. Average attendance at Sunday school for March, four hundred and thirty-seven. Attendance Sunday, 12th, at the school, four hundred and sixty-four. Bro. Oliver Jones remitted direct to Rev. Mr. Archibald fifty dollars for missions, not included in amount of collection.
A. E. WALL.
April 13. Clerk.

SUSSEX, N. B.—As was anticipated Rev. H. L. Gale's labors here were abundantly blessed—all the churches being greatly benefited. After Mr. Gale closed his labors, special services were held in our church and a goodly number have taken their stand for Christ. On Sabbath 29th of March five were baptised and on Sabbath April 5th, sixteen more were baptised. Their names are Mrs. Jasper Daly, Mrs. James Drummond, Mrs. Amey Hawkins, Ida Tower, Wilford Crawford, Bessie Price, Gertie Sherwood, Lena Sherwood, Mary Talbot, Blanche Buchannan, Edna Nealy, Alice Shreerer, Matilda Hall, Isabel Keith, Peter Pickel, Alfred Jenner, Grover Keith, J. S. Smith, Edward Buchanan, Walter Nealy, Nichol Nealy. Three have been received by letter and one on experience. Several others are received for baptism and we believe there are more to follow. Our church is very much encouraged and strengthened. To God be all the praise.
A. CHURCH CLARK.
April 10.

BUTTERNUT RIDGE.—Many are sorry to learn that the Rev. N. A. MacNeill has tendered his resignation as pastor of the Butternut Ridge church, to take effect May next. We pray the Great Head of the church will provide for this people a wise and experienced minister of the gospel to impart unto them the words of life. CLARK.
April 7.

HILLSDALE, HAMMOND, KINGS CO., N. B.—Our church is closely united in earnest active aggressive work for the Master. Three were baptised last Lord's day. Have spent a few happy weeks on this field ; ten have been added to the church by baptism. A goodly number more are trusting Christ and will unite with us in the near future. I would extend a hearty thank you for a donation of $11.50 from this church.
April 5. R. M. BYRON.

BERWICK, N. S.—The hand of fellowship was given to four persons Easter Sunday and one was baptised in the evening. A very good interest prevails throughout the congregation. Several recent converts are expected to put on Christ in the near future. The choir of the church gave a very enjoyable choral service on the evening of Easter Sunday. This was followed by an excellent sermon by Mr. Frank Bishop, one of our "boys" and a senior at Acadia.
April 11. PARTON.

CANSO.—We are pleased to report two baptised last Sunday. Quite a number of others are on the way, and will no doubt take this step in the near future. During the past few weeks the new chapel at the Tittle has been finished on the inside. A number of the brethren under the superintendence of Bro. James Fraser did the ceiling, and Bro. Robert Carter looked after the painting. This labor was cheerfully contributed. The building has already proved a great blessing.
J. H. BELL.

GOAT ISLAND, LOWER GRANVILLE, N. S.—The good work of the Lord is going on in this place yet. In a day of God's power here on Sunday, April 5th, when we assembled at the Jordan and baptised eight more happy believers in Christ—a man and his wife, a woman, head of family, and five young women. The meetings are largely attended. The people say the meetings are the best they have known for years in this place. We expect to baptise again next Sunday. Yours in Christ. JAS. A. FOSTER.

St. STEPHEN, N. B.—On Sunday even ing, March 29th, was held our third baptismal service since the first of February. This time six persons were baptised, making thirty-eight in all who have thus been added to the church. The interest in all departments of our work is well sustained. The average attendance at the Sunday School for the winter months has been about 215. Since January, through the efforts of the Ladies Church Aid Society and the Young Ladies Auxiliary over two hundred dollars have been raised towards reducing the debt on the parsonage. It is well for a church, as for an individual, that spiritual and material prosperity go together. W. C. GOUCHER.

REV. OBROON, HANTS CO.—This is one of the Hantsport churches. For some time the people have been struggling to get their new church completed. During the winter special services resulted in the conversion and baptism of a number of young people and the reviving of several old christians. The people went to work and have lighted and seated the house and put in a fine new Karn organ, and expect very soon to be all ready for dedication, free of debt. They have a flourishing Sabbath school here, about

By Telegraph.

MONCTON, N. B.—As announced our offering for liquidation of church debt was taken on Sunday. Six hundred and sixty-six special envelopes were used. Amount contributed in cash, seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars. Both services were largely attended. In the evening house was filled as usual...
April 8. D. E. HATT.

SURREY, ALBERT CO., N. B.—I wish through the MESSENGER AND VISITOR to acknowledge the kindness of the friends in connection with the three churches on my field of labor. Two churches made a donation visit at the parsonage, results amounting to $70.55 ; Hillsboro 3rd $35 ; Valley church $35 55. Also from the 2nd Coverdale church and congregation, who met at Mrs. Henry Wright's on March 31st, the sum of $32.45. The total amounting to $103. For which we thank the Lord and the people. I feel that I also wish to make public my gratitude for the continual and valuable presents that I have received since I came here from Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Calhoun, who resides on a part of my field. As to our spiritual welfare, here in the "Valley" we have suffered severely from the hand of death. A great many of our strongest men, both spiritually and financially, have been called home. We have been greatly tried during this last winter by some of our men being led astray after strong drink. We are trying to deal with them and they are promising reform. May the Lord help them. Our other two churches are doing nobly, with scarce any exception the young people that came in with us during these few years, are taking hold of the work of the Lord. Generally speaking the prospect ahead for all these churches looks encouraging.
April 9. S. H. CORNWALL.

DORCHESTER, N. B.—The good work here is still on the move. I baptised six yesterday morning, four young sisters and two young brothers. Restored two old wanderers in our conference Saturday. A number will join us by letter and experience. We are hopeful now that our little church will almost double her membership. We meet this evening to pray and do business. We will appoint five of our young men to the office of deacon. We are going to try to organize the whole church into an endeavor for Jesus. There is not a society of any kind in connection with the church, and we are going to keep it so and see if we cannot do work for Jesus without having a society for this and a society for that, and one society in the church clashing with the other. We will have our Sick Committee, Look after Inquirers Committee, our Committee on Denominational Funds, etc. We will leave our young people and old people free to speak for Jesus as the spirit moves them; and we will ask God who has promised to give the spirit freely, to give enough to move them any time. We will have to associate members who plan to be christians when they get ready, and the dear Lord may just wait until they do.
April 6. M. P. KING.

P.S.—We are beginning to see now why, in spite of cold weather, bad roads, long drives, and dead churches, we could not but come this way. I would not wear deaf brethren to think that I am having it all my own way up here, far from it, we are strongly opposed. If it were not for this opposition we might see more deciding for Jesus. The other churches will, no doubt, as a result of the good work, later on gather in numbers. M. P. K.

Rev. J. W. S. Young writes: Since my last communication I again visited Belisle for a few days during which the work progressing under Bro. Ervine's faithful ministrations. There were baptised making 84. I could leave the important work of training the young converts in Bro. Ervine's hands with confidence, knowing how much depends upon having a leader who will not speak slightingly of the work of a revival as "a birch bark revival," "a flambeau religion" etc., and thus wound and hinder the young converts. If converts are rightly led it is not likely to be said with truth, after six months of training, that they do not know the a b c of religion. Feb. 28th, I got to Greenwich Hill and found Bro. More there. I remained there ten days, and we had meetings every day, but constant storms and bad roads interfered much. Some good work was done however. Long stand ing difficulties were settled. Some returned to the church and there were a few conversions. The cause there has suffered much by reason of not having a settled pastor. I learn that Rev. C. Henderson has now gone to that field and hope the report is true. On March 9th, I started up the river and arrived at the Narrows just as a quarterly meet ing was closing. The brethren had a meeting appointed for the evening, and having got thawed out after my long drive in the cold, I tried to preach. I remained two weeks and it was delight ful to have the pleasure of laboring with those two men of God, Bros. A. B. Mc-Donald and G. W. Springer. I am glad that Bro. Springer is so far recovered in health as to be able to assist in his warm-hearted way. The Lord gave us help at the Narrows. The church was greatly blessed and quickened, wanderers reclaimed, sinners converted. Twenty-one were baptised and I left the work going on. I returned home for a week, attended duties, visiting the sick, buried the dead and assisted Bro. Steeves in three or four meetings. He is getting on well. Then I started for Charlotte County and am now at Beaver Harbor.

STURGEON SETTLEMENT, Alberta.—About six weeks ago a most marked work of grace began in the above settlement, and it has been in progress ever since. The work began in connection with the loving and faithful admonitions of a dying young man, Rev. Joseph Samis. He had been a suffering invalid for over four years, and for men of that time, a meek and patient follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. During the four weeks previous to his decease he was a great sufferer, but retaining his consciousness and the power of speech till the very last, he embraced every opportunity of speaking faithfully to his companions

and neighbors as to their spiritual welfare, resulting in the deep conviction of quite a number. These convictions were deepened by an appropriate funeral discourse in the neighborhood the Lord's day after his burial. Immediately after, at the invitation of the young man's parents, the writer began a series of gospel meetings in the neighborhood, which continued some four weeks, resulting in much good. Christians were greatly quickened, backsliders were reclaimed, and some fifteen persons professed to have passed from death unto life. The converts were of different ages—from ten years old to over sixty—among the number being a bright little boy of ten years, and his grandfather, some sixty or sixty-five years old. The writer was ably assisted in the work by three young brethren, members of the Edmonton and South Edmonton churches. We expect to organize a church in this settlement in the near future, some thirty-five or forty members strong, with a most hopeful field surrounding it. The settlement is in a rich agricultural locality, some fifteen or twenty miles north of Edmonton. The work, for a time at least, in this field must be carried on in connection with the Edmonton church. But it lies so far from Edmonton, that it can be but imperfectly worked from that centre, and, at no distant period, a distinct missionary pastor must be appointed to this field and surrounding country. The most of the settlers have come in but lately. It is largely a Baptist settlement, and most of the people are from Nebraska and not a few of them Canadians, who had sojourned in the Western States a number of years and then returned to their native country to try to make a home in this new region of hopeful possibilities. The people are yet without any suitable place of meeting, and have been holding their meetings in private houses ; but, doubtless, after organization, they will move in the direction of building a place of worship, as there is abundance of building timber within easy distance of the settlement. The Edmonton church have given a call to a Mr. Freeman, I believe, from the Maritime country, but at present at Rochester seminary, New York. It is reported that the call has been accepted and that the pastor will be on the ground and at work in about a month from now. Thus South Edmonton church is quietly, but efficiently, working away, under the pastoral care of the old pioneer missionary.
A. McD.