

exercises, and were then addressed by Bro. Murray. A collection of \$2.30 was taken up. They have also had some new members lately. Well done, Willing Workers!

Sister Dora Lord is taking charge of the Children's Band at Lord's Cove during Sister Lambert's absence. We expect a good report from them this month.

The Halifax Band has had an increase of eight members since I heard from them last. They intend to name their Band after our little girl in Japan. They sent me some cards to send to Japan. Before sending them I would like to receive some from other Bands. Will the girls and boys collect some and send them to me?

Our new Band at West Gore had nineteen present at their last meeting. That is a grand beginning.

The Halifax girls and boys have been asking for a *Mission Band Badge*. Now that is something worth thinking over. I would like to get an opinion from all the Bands. Write and tell me whether you would like to have a badge, and let each Band suggest what they would like the badge to be. Then if all agree in having one, we can choose one from those suggested, and all adopt the same.

It has been suggested that we procure mita boxes for the children. They can be gotten from Miss Lois White, and only cost twenty cents a dozen. The children can collect quite a lot in this way, and have an "opening" every quarter, or every six months.

It appears that the little girl whom Miss Rioch had taken for us had had a part scholarship from some sisters in the United States, and they were unwilling to give her up. We, of course, wanting to take the whole scholarship, could not take her from them, and so Miss Rioch has procured another little girl for us. We need not feel at all disappointed, however, for we have done better by the change. See what Miss Rioch herself says:

"Don't be the least bit disappointed, for if anything the child you are to support promises much better than the other. Let me tell you a little of her history. Last year she was Miss Wirick's English pupil, and joined the church under her instructions. She always attended prayer-meeting and the Lord's supper regularly. In the prayer-meetings she always took part, either by reading or praying. She seemed so zealous, and Miss Wirick was quite hopeful of her. When she ceased to be Miss Wirick's pupil, a rich old couple adopted her, this being the usual thing for people to do, one out of every five persons one meets is adopted. Well, this old couple made a great pet of her, dressed her up finely, gave her everything she could wish for, and at last wished to marry her to their only son. This was a mark of the highest esteem on their part, but alas, this did not suit my lady. She said, 'No, he is not a Christian, and I cannot marry him. When I marry my husband must be at least a Christian—and I hope a minister, that I may help him bring souls to Christ.' They still loaded her with favors, thinking in this way to change her mind. But no. One evening she took off all her finery, put on her old dress she had come in, and went home to her sisters. She has never seemed to regret her brave action. It was her bright happy face that first drew my attention to her, and on asking Miss Wirick about her, this is the story I heard. I at once thought 'there is the right kind of girl to train. She will appreciate it.'

"Before telling the child we wished to educate her, she was asked what she most wanted to become. She answered, 'I should like to be a Bible-woman, but I have no education.' After a little trouble getting the consent of her brother, who in the long run gave it willingly, she was put into the school by me, under Miss Wirick's care. As, of course, by this time you have heard that Miss Wirick has the girls till we get the language a little better. The child is almost fourteen or fifteen. Always, always pray that she may be strong, and at the last reach our expectations.

"It is so good to hear of the children taking such an active part in this work. With such noble little willing workers it will indeed be no trouble to raise the whole \$60. Perhaps by the next mail, or the one later than that, I shall send the girl's photograph. Will send one half-dozen, so each Band can have one.

"I received the cards and scrap-book last mail, many, many thanks. Business cards are as useful as the scripture cards, as they cannot read English, and we write a verse in Japanese on them anyway. I give one to each child who has been there every Sunday in the month. Last month, gave at least thirty away."

Wishing you many blessings in the coming year, I am, your sister in Christ,

MARY M. RIOCH.

Oh, children, just think of it! I wonder how many of us could have made such a sacrifice as our little sister in Japan did! Giving up kind friends, a lovely home, and pretty dresses, and all those things that children like, for the sake of Jesus! Wasn't she a brave little heroine? and won't you all remember to send up many prayers from our loving hearts, asking God to give our little sister strength to remain steadfast in her love and loyalty to Jesus?

Your loving friend,
MRS. D. A. MORRISON,
Sup't Children's Work.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

SILVER FALLS BUILDING FUND.

Collected by Mrs. Edward Shellington—Mrs E Shellington, \$5; John Kimble, 1; Geo H McKay, 1; Robert Thomas, 1; Sam Thomas, 25c; H F Green, 25c; J Finlay, 1; J A Gordon, 50c; Waterbury & Rising, 1; J J Johnston, 1; Walter Scott, 1; Dr. Daniel, 1; W D Simon, 1; W H Simon, 1; Daniel & Robertson, 1; J Dunlop, 1; H Clarke, 1; Gilbert Murdoch, 1; Charles McGregor, 50c; F A Dykeman, 50c; Mr. Simon, 1; C H Maxwell, 1; Macaulay Bros & Co, 1; G L Barbour, 1; W F Hatheway, 1; W H Thorne, 2; J A Jones, 50c; J B Hamm, 1; Patrick Higgins, 25c; Andrew Christopher, 1; McAvity & Sons, 4.25; Miss A Garnett, 2; H McFarland, 25c; A Logan, 1; W Hawker, 2; J P Wells, 31c; — Chamberlain, 2; J Bullock, 95c; John Ross, 1; J R Calloun, 1; James Kelly, 1; Dr. Morrison, 2; R A C Brown, 1; A Dunn, 2; W C Allen, 1; W Quinton, 2; N Cameron, 1; A W Adams, 1; M B Dixon, 1; John McLeod, 2; M A Finn, 1; H R McLehlan, 1; Henry R Jones, 1; G Dibble, 1; J King Kelley, 1; G Vincent, 1; J Collins, 1; D Russel, 1; Robt McLeod, 1; M Fowler, 1; Robt Steward, 1; J S Climo, 50c; J Hunter, 25c; J Cullinan & Son, 50c; Wm Shaw, 25; Alex Philip, 50c; B Smith, 50c; R O'Shaughnessy, 1; J Mackay, 50c; Geo Robertson, 50c; W Vassie, 1; Wm Pugsley, 1; C L Drury, 1; Kerr & Robertson, 1; J E Fitzgerald, 1; J Mc Dade, 1; F Sandall, 1; T W Peters, 1; F F Collier, 50c; W Robinson, 50c; — Cushing, 1; W C Pittfield, 2; A G Blair, 1; H T, 50c; C H Humphrey, 1; J S May, 1; R T Hayes, 1; E L Whittaker, 1; J F Estabrooks, 1; J H Parks, 1; A G Skinner, 1; Maggie Clark, 50c; C Stackhouse, 1; J D Hazen, 5; C A Stockton, 1; — Jack, 10c; J Thomas, 50c; — Quinn, 7; O H Warwick, 3 75; Ella Shellington, 1.80; 1 Friend, 10c, 1 Friend, 35c; 1 Friend, 85c; 1 Friend, 2; 18 Friends, 25c each; 15 Friends, 50c each; 11 Friends, 1 each. Total, \$197.90

Collected by Thomas Garnett—Thomas Garnett, 40; H McKay, 1; — Croudall, 1; — Doeir, 25c; William Johnston, 25c; John Johnston, 5; Chas Johnston, 2; 2 Friends, 2 each; 4 Friends, 1 each; 1 Friend, 50c. Total, \$58.00.

Collected by Miss Alice and Ada Garnett—Alice Garnett, \$5; James Naves, 25c. James Sparks, 1; Mrs J S Gibbons, 25c; Sam Johnson, 25c; Chas E White, 1; R McKenzie, 1; Edward Day, 1; Joseph H Naves, 50c; Wm Marshall, 1; Mrs A Johnson, 50c; Mrs Geo Allan, 50c; Miss Garnett, 1; Alex Clark, 1; John Edwards, 25c; Mrs R Garnett, 50c; Mrs. Henry Appleby, 50c; A Rowan, 1; 1 Friend, 20c; 1 Friend, 30c; 1 Friend, 40c; 2 Friends, 1 each; 7 Friends, 50c each; 16 Friends, 25c each. Total, \$27.90

Collected by David Garnett—David Garnett, \$11.80; Chas Willis, 25c; Ira B. Keirstead, 1; Fred Godard, 50c; J B McGowan, 1.25; J D Seely, 50c; J J Bostwick, 1; Troop & McLaughlin, 2; Geo W Davis, 25c; T W Gard, 50c; Charles Clark, 25c; J Calder, 25c; J Sinclair, 50c; Mr Sherwood, 1; 7 Friends, 25c each; 6 Friends, 50c each; 2 Friends, 1 each. Total, \$29.80.

Collected by O. B. Stockford—J L Stockford, \$1; Simon Stockford, 1; Robert Reed, 1; Geo Holder, 1; Herbert Waite, 1; Isaac Stockford, 4; William Banks, 4; J E Edwards, 2; James Emery, 2; Byron Lingley, 1; Phillip MacIntyre, 1; Joseph Stockford, 2; R Johnston, 50c; 2 Friends, 2 each. Total, \$25 50.

Collected by Henry Shellington—Henry Shellington, \$62.50; J K Hamm, 3; A Friend, 2c; Sam Douglass, 25c; Wm Jones, 15c; Howard Creighton, 1; John Garnett, 1; A Friend, 1; A Friend, 50c; Sam Armstrong, 5; Frank Hamm, 1; James Arthurs, 50c; Wm Arthurs, 1. Total, \$77.25.

Collected by Sophie M. Lamont—J. M., 25c; W Andrew Barnes, \$2; Henry W Stewart, 10; A D M Boyne, 1; J J Christie, 2; J Barry Allen, 2; Mr. Currie, 1; Charles Leonard, 10; Miss Hattie Banks, 1; L A Miles, 5; Miss Alice McNeill, 2; Jas Barnes, 10; Mr. Prince, 50c; C H DeVoe, 2; B Armstrong, 4; D Morrison, 1; Miss Jessie Robertson, 50c; R A Christie, 1; Miss M Hopley, 2; E W H, 1; R R Barnes, 5; John Leonard, 2; J F Leonard, 3; Mrs Owens, 1; Miss Alice M McNeill, 1; Wm Banks, 1; E B, 1; Miss Bowen, 50c; Carrie Payson, 25c; Harry Barker, 10.30; 1 Friend, 3; 1 Friend, 2. Total, \$90.30.

Deer Island Collected by Sophie M. Lamont—Fred Leonard, 50c; Geo Welch, 50c; Winslow Richardson, 25c; Charles Conley, 25c; John Welch, 25c; Church at Leonardville, 2 11; Wallace Stuart, 2; Mrs Geo Gowan, 50c; Jas Stanley, 50c; Mrs Dan Richardson, 50c; Mrs Frank Richardson, 1; Mrs D F Lambert, 2. Total, \$10.36.

Edward Shollington, 60.50; Benj Hicks, 28.88; John Arthurs, 25.00; Joseph Arthurs, 15.00; Concerts, 47.00. Total, \$113.88. Grand Total, \$705.39.

The Building Committee appointed by the brethren residing at Silver Falls to superintend the erection of a house of worship in that place, take this opportunity to thank the brethren, sisters and friends who have contributed to the building of such house. To our friends and the members of the Deer Island churches particularly we feel grateful. Such offerings will not go unrewarded.

The land was given by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shellington. The Coburg street church gave six windows. The organ has been provided for by a few families at Silver Falls.

HENRY SHELLINGTON,
DAVID GARNETT,
JOSEPH ARTHURS,
J. S. FLAGLOR,
O. B. STOCKFORD, } Committee.

B. FAY MILLS ON QUESTIONABLE AMUSEMENTS.

'Some people would say to you young converts: "You are to settle this question yourselves. Follow your conscience and you will be all right;" but I do not say this to you. I say let the Bible settle it for you, and the Bible says if you doubt whether it is wrong for you to do this, then it is a sin for you to do it. The Bible also says, that it is wrong for you to do anything "whereby thy brother stumbleth or is offended or is made weak." Therefore the Bible is explicit on this matter, and if you want to be a Christian after the Bible pattern, you must be willing and glad to give this thing up, if there is any question in your mind whether it is right for a Christian to do it, or if you see that though it is innocent for you it may cause your brother to stumble or become weak. Others may say to you, "Go anywhere that Jesus will follow you," but I say to you that you are to follow Jesus and go where he goes. That is very different from going where you please and then asking Jesus to follow you. He did follow you in your sinful wanderings and has now brought you to the gate of the harvest field and calls to you, "Follow me! Follow me!" The man who is not willing to follow Jesus into the harvest field is not following him at all. That is what you are here for and that is what Jesus Christ saved you for.'

Died.

PORTER.—Westport, N. S., February the 18th, Sister Hannah Porter, beloved wife of Bro. Edgar Porter, in the 55th year of her age. Sister Porter was a noble Christian lady. Devoted and consecrated to Christ, whom she loved and faithfully served. Her last moments were filled with brightness of that sweet hope of eternal rest. H. E. COOKE.

BOWERS.—A Westport, March the 11th, Mrs. Gussie Bowers, beloved wife of Bro. Geo. Bowers, in the 47th year of her age. Sister Bowers was one of Westport's most highly esteemed residents; for over twenty years she was a consistent member of the Baptist Church. She was a woman of noble principles, and loved by all who knew her, an active worker in temperance and in all benevolent enterprises. She is mourned by many friends. H. E. COOKE.

CAMPBELL.—Mrs. Elizabeth, the beloved wife of James Campbell, Esq., of the Montagu Hotel, Montague Bridge, P. E. Island, died at their home Saturday morning, March 3, 1894, aged 78 years. Sister C. was a member of the Church of Christ, Montague Bridge, and, being perfectly truthful and upright in character, she lived a faithful Christian life. For those in whom she had confidence, her friendship was strong and lasting as life itself; while, for that which was low, insincere or false, she had the utmost contempt. For some years before her death she was a sufferer (physically) becoming near the last, almost helpless, and therefore greatly dependent on the tender care of her faithful husband and loving daughter, who, with many relatives and friends, deeply feel their loss. But, although there was the failing of the outward life, yet the inward was renewed (strengthened) day by day. Her trust in the blessed Jesus never faltered, but, leaning on Him, she passed down into the sleep which knows no waking, until the voice of the Archangel and the trump of God "shall awake to a life immortal. "He giveth his beloved sleep." O. B. E.