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News from the Churches.

Ordination at Lower Stewiacke.

The Little River and Lower Stewiacke Baptist Churches invited an ecclesiastical council to meet at Lower Stewiacke on the 21st June, to advise the two churches, above named, in the matter of ordaining Bro. Christopher Haverstock to the Christian ministry. The delegates accordingly assembled at 11 o'clock, A. M., on the appointed day.

The Rev. W. Manning was requested to take the chair, and the Rev. E. M. Saunders to act as Secretary for the purpose of organizing the Council. Brother R. N. Sibley, Clerk of the Lower Stewiacke Church, read the minutes of the Church relating to the subject under consideration. On calling over the list of the Churches invited, the following delegates responded:—

North Church, Halifax—The Rev. J. W. Manning; Brookfield Church—Deacon J. W. Stevens; Dartmouth Church—The Rev. E. J. Grant and Dea. W. H. Wisdom; Truro Church—The Rev. J. E. Goucher and Deacon William Faulkner; Onslow Church—The Rev. C. H. Martell; First Hammond's Plains Church—The Rev. M. P. King and Brother J. E. Schmidt; Amherst Church—The Rev. D. A. Steele; Great Village Church—The Rev. M. P. Freeman. By special invitation from the Churches calling the Council, the Revs. Dr. Welton and E. M. Saunders.

By vote, the acting chairman and Secretary were appointed to those offices in the Council. Brother R. N. Sibley, by special request from the Council, presented the views, wishes and decision of the churches calling the Council, relative to the ordination of Brother Haverstock. The Council being satisfied with reference to Brother Haverstock's relation to the Churches, and their desire and ability to continue him as their minister, then requested him to give a relation of his Christian experience, call to the ministry and views of divine revelation. The rehearsal given in response to this request was full, explicit and abundantly satisfactory when it had been supplemented by replies to exhaustive questions asked by various members of the Council. The result gave the Council unqualified satisfaction.

It was then moved by the Rev. D. A. Steele, and seconded by the Rev. E. J. Grant, and resolved, that the Council advise the Churches to proceed, according to their decision, to the ordination of Brother Christopher Haverstock; and that the public services, connected therewith, commence at 2.30 P. M. It was further resolved that the Rev. Dr. Welton preach the ordination sermon; the Rev. J. E. Goucher offer the ordaining prayer; the Rev. M. P. King give the right hand of fellowship; the Rev. E. M. Saunders give the charge to the Candidate, and the Rev. D. A. Steele give the charge to the Church. The Council then adjourned to meet at 2.30, P. M.

The public meeting was held according to appointment. After singing, the Rev. C. H. Martell read the 10th chapter of John, and offered prayer. Dr. Welton's text was from the last part of the 29th verse of the 15th chapter of the Romans—"the fullness of the Gospel of Christ." The ceremony of ordination was carried through according to the prescribed arrangement.

It was voted that the minutes be printed in the denominational papers. The Rev. C. Haverstock then closed the meeting with the benediction. The day was fine, and all the services were of the most interesting character. The Revs. M. P. King and C. Haverstock are the first graduates from the Theological Seminary, lately re-established at Wolfville.

E. M. SAUNDERS, Secretary,
Lower Stewiacke, June 21st, 1882.

In Memoriam.

MRS. HARRIET C. FREEMAN.

At Milton, Queen's Co., June 15th, Harriet C., beloved wife of Edward G. Freeman, in the 48th year of her age. Our deceased Sister was baptized at Pugwash, by the Rev. E. F. Foshay, about the year 1858, and on her removal to Milton, at the time of her marriage, in 1863 became a member of the Baptist Church in this place. Her Christian life was distinguished by conscientiousness and faithfulness. Let any course of conduct be decided upon as even doubtful and it was at once dismissed. On the other hand let an act appear to be duty and though perhaps very repugnant to the feelings, it was done. The poor and suffering ones ever found in her a kind, thoughtful and sympathizing friend; while cautious and considerate her counsels were always valuable. In the Church all departments of christian work engaged her sympathies and called for her efforts, and the pastor was constantly cheered by her presence and help in the weekly prayer-meeting. But Foreign Missions and the Sabbath School, especially engaged her attention. One of her last requests was, that her membership might still be maintained in the Women's Missionary Aid Society, of which she was Secretary. As a Sabbath School Teacher, she was a prayerful and diligent student of the Word. She never came before her class with the lesson unprepared, and enjoyed the satisfaction of seeing a large number of her scholars brought to the Saviour. The same Christian principles regulated her life in the home circle, and her husband and two sons have sustained in her death an irreparable loss. It is a matter of thankfulness that she, who had so self-sacrificingly cared for others in sickness and death, had all that human sympathy and care could do for her, during her long and very painful illness, in the devoted attentions of her sister and husband. Of her it can be truthfully said, "She being dead yet speaketh."—REV. J. I. DEWOLFE.

PERSONAL ITEMS.—Mr. F. M. Young of the Graduating Class at Newton, has accepted a unanimous call to the church at Antigonish. He commences his labors in this new pastorate in July. The future is bright for both pastor and people.

Mr. B. N. Nobles of the Middle Class at Newton, takes the church at Johnston, Queens, N. B., during his summer vacation.

Mr. E. H. Jones also of the Middle Class, has taken the Church at Andover, Victoria, N. B., for the summer.

The Rev. J. I. M. Young, late of Virden Baptist Church, Illinois, has received a unanimous call to the Pastorate of the Temple Baptist Church, Yarmouth, and will commence his labors with them next Sabbath, July 2.

For the Christian Messenger.
P. E. Island Associations.

Dear Editor,—

The P. E. Island Baptist Association was organized fourteen years ago. At that time, some doubted the wisdom of the step; others thought the time had arrived for the new departure; the results unquestionably show that the movement was not premature. Each year the delegates of the churches have met, have joined in the discussions of those questions affecting the interests of Truth, have been enthused by the conviction of a common experience and purpose, and have united in striving to shoulder a share of the great and necessary, but inspiring responsibility of the Baptists of the Maritime provinces. The attendance of delegates from sister Associations has always been heartily encouraged, and their presence has contributed in no small degree towards the promotion of those grand aims which draw us together. It is earnestly desired that the Association will have the privilege of welcoming a good representation from abroad at the approaching session. North River Church, the birth-place of the Association, entertain it this year, for the third time in its history. Many will be induced to come, by the remembrance of past gatherings there. All it is hoped, will come to gain a clear view of the great work God has given us to do, and to engage each other for its successful performance.

OUTLOOK.
[The warm-hearted invitation above, and a personal one accompanying it, add to the pleasant anticipation of meeting with our Island brethren next week.—Ed. C. M.]

P. E. Island, June 19th, 1882.

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DEACON JAMES MESSENGER,
died June 8th at the residence of his son-in-law, Rev. A. Cogswell, Lake George, Yarmouth County, in the 81st year of his age. Brother Messenger was born near Bridgetown, Annapolis County, was converted in early manhood, was baptized, and united with the Baptist Church at Bridgetown, of which he was an influential and worthy member for about 50 years, and a faithful deacon for over 40 years. A few weeks after Bro. M. went to reside with his daughter, serious illness attacked him, and, in spite of loving attention and care from Mr. and Mrs. Cogswell, and the skill of the physicians, it ran its course and in about a fortnight terminated his earthly career. In the afternoon of Sabbath, June 11 a farewell service was held at Lake George, when Rev. M. Titus, of Beaver River, delivered an appropriate and comforting address, and the people exhibited high respect for the deceased and sympathy for the bereaved. Next day the remains were removed to Annapolis, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Cogswell, and were met at Bridgetown Station by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Warren, and Rev. Dr. Armstrong, for twenty years pastor to the deceased, and by a large company of relatives and friends; thence the funeral procession moved to the Centreville Church, to the erection of which Dea. Messenger contributed very liberally, where a memorial service was held by the pastor and Dr. Armstrong, the latter, by request of the former, delivered an address of Christian appreciation and condolence, adapted to be helpful in the direction of spiritual growth and development, of mature and well-pro-

News of the World.

A large bear was shot by George Dart, near Brookfield on Saturday morning. Master Bruin had been making havoc among the sheep and lambs in that locality lately, having killed about fifty this spring. He had a lamb in his paws when he was killed—there is much rejoicing over his demise.

The Wesleyan Conference is now in session at Windsor, N. S. and is largely attended. It is intimated that the New Academy at Sackville will be ready for occupation in December next. Their College endowment is now \$100,000.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, closed its sessions on last Thursday. The body represents one of the largest and most prosperous denominations in Canada. It controls eight Educational Institutions, it has extensive Home Missionary operations from Newfoundland to British Columbia, costing at \$50,000. Its Foreign Missions, to China, New Hebrides, Trinidad, etc., cost nearly as much.

The Local Elections in New Brunswick were held on the 23rd inst., and have resulted in a very close vote, both parties claiming a victory. It is doubtful whether the government will be able to carry on the affairs of the province, unless they receive support from representatives who claim to be independent, neither party appears at present to have a good working majority.

Mr. G. W. Macully, Pavilion Mount, B. C., writes: "Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, is the best medicine I ever used for Rheumatism. Nearly every winter I am laid up with Rheumatism, and have tried nearly every kind of medicine without getting any benefit, until I used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. It has worked wonders for me, and I want another supply for my friends, &c."

Joseph Rusan, Percy, writes: "I was induced to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for a lameness which troubled me for three or four years, and I found it the best article I ever used. It has been a great blessing to me."

If any of our readers of this paper are growing deaf, let them get at once a bottle of Johnson's Anodyne Liniment. Rub well behind the ears and put a little into the ear with a feather.

It would seem that the commonest kind of common sense ought to prevent a man from buying trash, simply because he can get a big pack for 25 cents. Sheridan's Cavalry Condition Powders are strictly pure, and are worth a barrel of such stuff.

New Brunswick.

A man was arrested in St. John for stealing ornaments off ladies' hats on the streets.

A large snow shed at the I. C. R., near Campbellton was destroyed by fire on Thursday last. The loss is estimated at \$6,000.

Late telegrams announce that the constitutionality of the Scott Act has been affirmed by the judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

Oscar, son of D. D. Davis, of Indian-town was drowned last Friday, while bathing.

Dominion of Canada.

The members of the Government are nearly all at Ottawa. The first Cabinet Meeting since the Election was held Saturday last.

Dominion day will be celebrated with unusual enthusiasm in Ontario. A monster political picnic will be held at Cornwall. Sir John McDonald and other prominent men will participate.

Humbug Advertisements

The time never has been and never will be when the people of this or any other country can buy a gold dollar for seventy five cents. Neither can you, dear reader, purchase an organ worth three or four hundred dollars for \$60. This is all nonsense. Still we have no objection to other people doing their business just as they see fit. We are selling a good, honest made Piano at from \$185 to \$575, and a good, honest Organ (not all stops) for from \$48 to \$475. All our goods are made upon honor, and we send to any part of the world on test trial, and if no pleasee, no keepee, as the Chinaman would say. For the past ten years we have sent both Pianos and Organ to every part of the world, and our instruments give the most universal satisfaction. If you wish a good instrument, one that will always last you, we shall be pleased to send you our catalogue and prices; and if you purchase one of the Thomas Brothers' Silver Tone Instruments you will get what you require, and one instrument sold in a neighborhood always sells us more. Address, for prices, etc.,

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Successor to Thomas Brothers,
Catskill, N. Y., U. S. A.

There is a past which is gone forever! But there is a future which is still our own.

portioned piety. Deacon Messenger possessed an uncommonly strong memory, and he stored it well with rich treasures taken from the Bible, his quotations from which were exceedingly full and accurate, and furnished instruction and comfort to many. He was well versed in the doctrines and principles of the gospel, was a man of deep and earnest piety, of sterling integrity, of uniform reliability, a liberal supporter of the church and the Christian ministry, and took an interest in the progress and welfare of the community, particularly in what related to religious life, growth and prosperity. His was a Christian, holy, useful life—one that adorned his profession and was a blessing in society. His end was peaceful and happy, yea triumphant. All his children except one have preceded him to the "Better Land;" and for all of them our brother entertained the satisfactory assurance that his prayers on their behalf had been answered, and that he would meet them all in the Kingdom of God. This afforded him great consolation and joy. Dea. M. was married twice; but his death was preceded by that of the loved ones who had faithfully ministered to him. Two brothers and two sisters survive him, waiting for the summons to cross the dark river into the land of eternal light and purity. Christ in his atonement, kingdom and glory was the hope and delight of his soul, and the theme of his conversation and song. Let us magnify the grace of God in him, and seek to imitate his virtues.—COM. BY GEO. ARMSTRONG.

MELATIAH KINSMAN,
was struck down by paralysis while attending to business in Kentville on the evening of Monday, June 12th, and had to be borne to his home speechless and helpless, where he died in a few hours, in the 60th year of his age. Universal regret is felt at the loss of a worthy citizen and a faithful public servant, thus suddenly removed from time. Mrs. Kinsman and the relatives of the deceased have the sympathy of this community and of the county. The obsequies took place on Wednesday; service at the residence at 2 o'clock, P. M., where a large gathering had assembled, in which Rev. Messrs. Swaffield, Kempton, and Dr. Armstrong took part. The interment took place in the cemetery at Billtown, after which services were held in the church, and were participated in by Rev. Mr. Avery of Halifax, and Rev. Mr. Swaffield, of Billtown; Dr. Armstrong preaching the sermon. Bro. Kinsman was converted in his youth, was baptized by Rev. A. Stronach, and received into the Billtown Church, of which he continued an earnest, useful and highly esteemed member till about seven years ago, when, his residence requiring it, he united with the Baptist church in Kentville, by which he was held in the highest esteem, respect and affection. He was a diligent student of the Bible, a faithful worker in the church and in the Sabbath School, an intelligent earnest attendant on the ministrations of the gospel, loved the Conference and Prayer-meetings, and was ready to take part in the exercises when opportunity occurred. He illustrated the Divine doctrines and principles of christianity by a life of righteousness and integrity. He took pleasure in working for God, serving the church and humanity, and doing good, especially to the young. His was a life of faithful devotion, and usefulness. His death was sudden, but safe: "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."—COM. BY GEO. ARMSTRONG.

HENRY N. PAINT, M. P., for Richmond, Co., has returned to the city. We congratulate him upon the success of his political contest.

Windsor is preparing for a gay holiday on let prox. There are to be the usual races and games. An excursion on the Basin and the band of the 10th Regiment will furnish an abundance of good music. There will also be an excursion on the W. & A. Railway to enable persons from a distance to participate.

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