

testant conclusive and uttered prolonged cries, "Long live the Gospel!" In view of the opposition of the Church authorities, the mayor, who until then had favored the movement, begged the young minister to leave. This he declined to do, urging his rights as an Italian citizen. The revival continues to grow, and is spreading to other towns. It is now proposed to build a church. A lot has been given and a part of the money subscribed.

A GOOD WORK.

For several years Rev. H. R. Grant, pastor of a Presbyterian church in New Glasgow, N. S., has been active in temperance work, including the enforcement of the law against illicit sellers. He has been most faithful and courageous, and his work has had excellent effect. Recently he resigned the charge of the church of which he has been pastor for thirteen years, to devote himself entirely to temperance work in Pictou County. His congregation is strongly attached to him, and would only let him go because he believed his duty required him to undertake the new work. Leading men in the county are standing by him in the large and difficult work he is entering upon, and guarantee his salary. One of them, speaking in the Presbytery, said: "Mr. Grant is pre-eminently the apostle of temperance—a man raised by God to do this work, the man best prepared to do it in this county." His plan, so far as laid out, is to preach where he can, visit Sunday and day schools, seek to influence town and county councils to carry out the law, and to prosecute an educational campaign of moral reform. The movement is a wise one. Mr. Grant has proved himself the kind of man to do the work fearlessly and thoroughly. We bid him God speed in it. And we hope, too, that other parts of the country may provide for similar work.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.—At the Yarmouth Quarterly Meeting, held in Tusket, a service in memory of the late Rev. W. C. Weston was held. Appropriate addresses were made by Revs. W. M. Knollin, J. K. West, E. Crowell, J. E. Wilson, F. G. Francis, and others. The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from the scenes of his earthly labors our beloved brother, Rev. W. C. Weston; and

Whereas, In this dispensation of Divine Providence we feel the loss of a trusted servant of God, a wise counsellor and faithful witness to the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Therefore resolved, That while we miss our brother from our gatherings, and sorrow that his voice is hushed in death, yet we rejoice in the assurance that the God whom he loved and so faithfully served has bestowed upon him richer revelation of grace than earthly life ever could know, by permitting him to share in the glories experienced by the ransomed in the paradise of eternal felicity.

Resolved, That we tender our sincerest sympathy to Sister Weston and the mourning relatives in their bereavement, and pray that the God of all comfort have them continually in his loving care and keeping till sorrow's work is ended; and they, too, shall share in that rest which remaineth for the people of God.

SEAL COVE, GRAND MANAN.—The foundation for the new church building at Seal Cove is now ready. The contract to build has been given to Edward Ryerson, Brooklyn, Yarmouth; he is expected soon to begin the work. The new church will be a good one. We expect to have it ready to dedicate before the Annual Conference. A. M. McNINTCH.

FROM REV. H. A. BONNELL.—I am quite well now, after a siege of grip, which kept me from work about four weeks. The work here is moving along smoothly. We are hoping for greater interest.

H. A. BONNELL.
Coldstream, C. Co.

FROM REV. J. NOBLE.—As I have been moving around some of late a good many have asked me why I have not written as I used to. I tell them I have nothing to write; I am not doing any thing, and therefore, have no reports to make of work done. But to inform my friends I write a few lines now. After returning from the dedication in Geary last fall I kept moving around from place to place until the first of January. It was good wheeling until the snow came, and then it was good sleighing for a time, and I enjoyed it very much and kept going. I was down as far as Campbell Settlement and out to Havelock, and up to Lakeville, and so around from one place to another until the weather got so very cold and the snow so deep that it was bad turning out when meeting teams, and as I did not feel safe in doing so I concluded my best way was to keep off the road for the rest of the winter. A good brother was willing to keep my horse for his work, so I got rid of that care and expense. The last part of April I got my carriage out and my horse home. One Sunday I was in Lower Brighton, one Sunday in Lindsay, and last Sunday I was at Temple. This church belongs to Southampton pastorate, which is under Bro. J. J. Barnes' care. But the other churches he is caring for have taken all his time. If I continue to gain in strength I think I will be able to do a little yet. I expect to attend the first two District meetings, if no more, if nothing in the providence of God prevents. J. NOBLE.

Woodstock, June 18.

NOVA SCOTIA.—Rev. S. A. Thurlow, of Argyle, N. S., pastor, is about moving back to the United States.

The executive of the Nova Scotia Conference has appointed Rev. G. M. Wilson treasurer of the Ministerial Aid Society, and Rev. J. K. West conference auditor. Both these offices were held by the late Rev. W. C. Weston.

Kemptville church has invited the Conference to hold its next session there.

The Yarmouth church is considering a proposition for a parsonage.

YARMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING.—The May session was called at Tusket,

and began on Friday evening, May 6th. During the meetings all the ministerial members were present excepting Bro. Thurlow, who sent word that he was making preparations to move away. At the first service, Rev. A. H. McLeod, visiting delegate from the Shelburne County Quarterly Meeting, was the preacher, and the good sermon was followed by interesting testimonies.

On Saturday, sessions were held for business, and encouraging reports were received from many of the churches. The minutes of the doings are given herewith.

The Saturday evening was devoted to a memorial service for our lamented Brother Weston, whose attendance was so constant at our Quarterly meetings in the past, and who will be so sadly missed.

There was a large attendance at the Sunday meetings, and sermons were preached by Revs. E. Crowell, J. K. West and F. G. Francis. The fellowship manifested in the communion service was an experience of great blessing and Christian love.

The attendance, though up to the average, was somewhat disappointing to the Tusket brethren, as not at all equal to their generous preparation.

If our churches could but realize that the County Quarterly Meeting furnishes the best of all possible opportunities to plan and promote the county home mission interests, we believe that the attendance of church officers and experienced workers would be very largely increased. And such interest and attendance are absolutely necessary if our denominational work is to go on satisfactorily.

In view of the announced intentions of Brother Wilson to enter into special meetings, many prayers were offered for their success, and we trust that the influence of our gathering was helpful in that direction. Revival, fraternity, and mutual church help in home mission effort are the chief objects to be set before us in all our Quarterly Meetings. By these tests our meeting was a success. Following are the minutes:

Business session at 10.30 Saturday morning, the moderator, Rev. J. K. West, in the chair. After singing and prayer by Rev. Wm. Knollin, the roll was called, to which the following responded: Ministers—Wm. Knollin, J. K. West, E. Crowell, and J. E. Wilson. Deacons—Bros. Foster Crosby, Albert Cook, A. R. Durkee and Jacob Cunningham. Delegates—James Durkee, James Prout, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McConnell, Mrs. Norman Jeffery, Miss Marion Hopkins and Mrs. Walker.

The minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting were read and accepted.

Resolved, That Rev. G. F. Francis be received as a member of the Quarterly Meeting.

Resolved, That Bros. McLeod and Cosman be invited to seats in our Quarterly Meeting.

Resolved, That one-half of the collections taken during the Quarterly Meeting be given to Bro. Knollin for the Beaver River interests, and the other half be appropriated to the General Home Mission Fund.

Resolved, That Bro. West's bill of expense as delegate to the Shelburne County Quarterly Meeting be paid.

Resolved, That Bro. Francis be our delegate to Shelburne County Quarterly Meeting.

Resolved, That an obituary committee be appointed to report at the memorial service. Bros. West, Crowell and Francis the committee.

Resolved, That in the removal of Bro. S. A. Thurlow from our Quarterly Meeting, Bro. E. Crowell serve as assistant moderator for the remainder of the year.

Resolved, That the clerk of Quarterly

Meeting be given the power to convene the Quarterly Meeting in the future.

The report of the delegates was then called for.

Bro. A. H. McLeod, from Shelburne County Quarterly Meeting, brought the fraternal greetings of the brethren there. He spoke encouragingly of the work in the various pastorates in that Quarterly Meeting.

A vote of thanks was given our brother for his presence and helpful words.

Bro. West reported his visit as delegate to the Shelburne County Quarterly Meeting.

On account of the lack of time only a few churches were able to report.

Bro. William Knollin reported the work on the Beaver River pastorate as in a very hopeful condition.

Resolved, That Bro. West, moderator, on behalf of the Quarterly Meeting, extend a vote of thanks to the friends in the community, to the church, to the choir, and to all who had in any way added to the success of the meetings.

JOS. E. WILSON,
Clerk.

BLISSVILLE PASTORATE.—I think it is about time I wrote something for the INTELLIGENCER. I have often thought of my duty, for I consider it a duty, and, also, it should be a pleasant privilege to contribute to the interest of the INTELLIGENCER as often as possible. I did not seem to have anything of special interest to write and therefore kept putting it off. My present pastorate includes the Blissville, Mill Settlement, Patterson and Gaspereau churches. I like this pastorate very much. It is very convenient and pleasant, and I find the people very kind. They look after their pastor, and are careful to see that his salary is promptly paid, which is certainly a commendable thing in any people. Regarding the spiritual life of these churches, I may say that it is not as strong in all of them as it ought to be; but there are signs of improvement. The regular services are fairly well attended and the people attentively listen to the preaching of the Word. This is true, not only of those who are Christians, but also of those who are not; and we are hoping and praying that seeds of truth will be sown in their hearts, that will soon bring forth fruit to God's glory in the salvation of their souls. We recently held a week or two of meetings at Gaspereau, and with good results. The church was much strengthened and quickened, some backsliders reclaimed, and four persons declared their purpose to be Christians. One was baptized last Sabbath, and we hope the others may soon follow. I intend soon to begin special meetings at Blissville, and it is my earnest prayer that God may abundantly bless, and that pastor and people may be able to rejoice together in the salvation of sinners. We are soon to commence the erection of a new parsonage, which is very much needed. So far as I have solicited funds for new building, the people have responded nobly, and we have not the least doubt that the means will be forthcoming to build a home for their pastor that will be a credit to them and a comfort to him. We expect to hold special meetings in all the churches as soon as we can.

G. W. FOSTER.

—The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada will meet in St. John on Wednesday of next week, June 1st.