

News of the Churches.

would not occur again. Bro. Long adds: "Of course, there is an immense rush of mail here from all parts of the world, and it is difficult for the P. O. to handle it as expeditiously as is desirable." Of the weather, he writes: "It has been fine; there has been plenty of sunshine; two days it was over 90 in the shade; I felt I would like a little St. John fog." Of the work of our Baptist brethren, he says: "The Baptists are doing all they can to establish churches out here. The outlay is large for building, and for the support of pastors and missionaries. To succeed here a pastor must be very energetic, for there is no standing still in this great west. The First Baptist church in Winnipeg is building a large addition, which will cost about \$25,000. The church, when completed, will seat 1,500. To build here costs double what it does in N. B. I have a supply till the 1st of August. The Baptist convention of Manitoba and the Territories is to be held at Portage la Prairie on the 28th. I am going to it, as I want to gather all the information I can about Christian work out here." "The Sunday-schools of the First Church and the church I am supplying went to Winnipeg Beach for a picnic last Friday. It is about fifty miles from the city. The C. P. R. is making great preparations there for people from the city to build summer houses. It is a very nice place, with good bathing, and is the only place the city people have for a summer resort. If they had a section of the St. John river out on this prairie it would be appreciated. . . . Mrs. Long is much better than she was at home. We sends regards to all our friends."

MINISTERS.—Rev. T. W. Carpenter has been very ill. He was eight weeks confined to his bed. He is now able to be about the house, and is slowly gaining strength.

Rev. J. A. Robertson has tendered his resignation of the Brown's Flat-Oak Point-Westfield pastorate, to take effect at the end of September. The severe winter was very trying to his health, and he does not feel able to undertake the work another year.

Rev. C. B. Lewis, who has had a good year in charge of the Hampstead pastorate, is to remain there next year.

We hear that Rev. Jos. Noble has so far recovered from his recent illness that he has been out.

Rev. H. H. Ferguson reports that the foundation of the new church building at Marysville is completed.

Licentiate Wilson, of Gibson, is away for a three weeks' vacation.

Rev. D. Patterson made a visit to Advocate and Port Greville, N. S., lately.

Rev. A. D. Paul preached in the Waterloo St. church, St. John, last Sunday.

Rev. B. H. Nobles, Sussex, has three weeks vacation, and is now at Red Head, with his family.

Rev. A. W. Currie preached to the Foresters at Long Point, K. Co., last Sunday.

Rev. C. T. Phillips has been given three weeks vacation.

FROM REV. G. SWIM.—Acting on the advice of my physician, I have decided to rest for six months or a year, after the completion of my engagement here, October 1st. I am required to do this in the interests of my health. This decision has caused me much anxious thought. I have been nearly twenty years in the active work of the ministry, and during that time have not turned aside from it on account of poor health. I hope, however, after a short rest to be able to take up the work again. I have not decided where I shall reside after leaving here. I am expecting (D. V.) to be at the Sixth District meeting.

GIDEON SWIM.

CAMPOBELLO, N. B.—At North Roads church, Campobello, the interest has steadily increased lately. On Sunday, June 19th, two men were baptized by Rev. O. N. Mott, the pastor.

KINGSLEY, York Co.—The meetings at Kingsley have been continued. A number have made a start for the kingdom. God has been with us in some powerful meetings. Though the attendance was not very large, God was not limited in his power to save. Sunday, July 3rd, I baptized seven more converts in the stream that runs through the beautiful valley. In the two baptismal services we have had, the ceremony seemed blessed of God, in the joy of the converts and saints, and the intense interest of the spectators of these blessed scenes. The church feels much encouraged by this addition to their number. ROSCOE HEINE.

ST. JOHN.—Pulpit exchanges in the Baptist and Free Baptist churches of St. John last Sunday were as follows: Waterloo Street Free Baptist, Rev. A. B. Cohoe; Carleton Free Baptist, Rev. C. T. Phillips; Tabernacle, Rev. H. H. Roach; Brussels street, Rev. C. Burnett; Leinster street, Rev. B. N. Nobles; Main street, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse; Germain street, Rev. R. W. Ferguson; Carleton Baptist, Rev. Dr. Gates.

FIFTH DISTRICT MEETING.—Weather conditions did not favor the Fifth District meeting, yet it was very well attended, and the several sittings were interesting. The session was held July 1-3 at Belleisle Bay, in "the Lake meeting house," so called. It is a picturesque spot, with its beautiful expanse of water, and comfortable farm houses on all the hillsides. The hospitality of the people was fully equal to all the demands made upon it, and everybody was quite at home. Rev. S. J. Perry is pastor of the church, and, evidently, is held in esteem by his people. The interior of the church building has been recently repaired, and is in good condition. The outside will be painted soon. The first meeting of the session, a conference, held Friday morning, and led by the pastor, was a session of religious enjoyment. At 2 p. m. the business was begun. The min-

isters present during the session were Revs. C. T. Phillips, J. A. Robertson, O. N. Mott, C. B. Lewis, S. J. Perry, D. Patterson, A. D. Paul and J. McLeod, and Licentiates J. G. Perry and G. Bolster. Licentiates Perry and Bolster were invited to seats. Delegates from most of the churches were present. After the meeting was properly organized, reports from the churches were read, and referred to a committee, consisting of brethren Isaac E. Vanwart, G. M. McCready and O. N. Mott, to summarize. The Sunday-schools' reports were referred to a committee, consisting of Brethren J. G. Perry, L. Fox and J. A. Robertson. At 3:45 p. m. there was a devotional meeting, led by Bro. Bolster, and at 8 p. m. there was preaching by Bro. J. G. Perry. Both services were of much interest.

Saturday's work was begun at 7:30 a. m., with a half-hour prayer-meeting. At 8 the business was taken up, the first item being the election of chairman, Rev. S. J. Perry being the choice of the meeting, with Rev. J. A. Robertson as assistant. Bro. I. E. Vanwart presented the summary of church reports. Sixteen churches reported; six churches were not reported; the baptisms were nineteen; there was a small net increase in members; three pastors cared for the churches; \$1,829.00 were raised; the amount for missions was small. The committee deplored the fact that there are not more pastors in the district, and that the ordinance of the Lord's Supper is not more frequently administered, and advised carefulness in the observance of pastorate boundaries by ministers and churches, and a wider circulation of the denominational paper. The condition of the work, as shown in the reports, was discussed by Brethren Robertson, Mott, Worden, Vanwart, Jones, Perry, Carpenter, Cochran, and others. A committee to consider the re-arrangement of pastorates was appointed. The importance in our work of the INTELLIGENCER was spoken of by Brethren Vanwart, Phillips, Jones, Worden, and others. A resolution regretting the inability of Rev. T. W. Carpenter to be present, and expressing sympathy with him in his illness, was adopted. Bro. L. Fox presented the summary of Sunday-school reports. Ten schools had sent reports, and the work in them is going on with a great degree of encouragement. Several schools were not reported. Invitations for the next annual session were received from Oak Point and Shannon churches. The choice was entrusted to a committee—Brethren O. N. Mott, A. Erb and John McCrae, and they reported in favor of holding the next annual meeting at Oak Point, and the report was adopted. Rev. C. B. Lewis urged that the time for holding the session be changed from Friday to Wednesday, so that ministers could return to their pastorates for Sunday, and moved to make the change. The matter was discussed by several brethren. The vote was against a change. Rev. Mr. Field, Baptist pastor at Belleisle and vicinity, being present, was invited to a seat. Acknowledging the courtesy, he made a

pleasant fraternal speech. The committee—Brethren Perry, Jones and Dougan—to nominate delegates to Conference, presented the following names: Brethren G. Miles McCready, G. Flewelling and Geo. Bond; substitutes, Brethren J. A. Jones, I. E. Vanwart and L. Fox. The nominations were confirmed. A resolution strongly disapproving Sunday excursions, including those to religious meetings, was adopted. Brethren I. E. Vanwart, C. B. Lewis and J. A. Jones were elected members of the District Executive. At 11 a. m. there was preaching by Rev. A. D. Paul.

At 2 p. m. business was resumed. Rev. D. Patterson having arrived, was invited to a seat. The Sunday-schools' reports received further consideration, Brethren Vanwart, McLeod, Lewis, Patterson, Fox, Jones, Carpenter and others speaking on the subject. Bro. I. E. Vanwart was appointed Sunday-schools secretary for the district. He will exercise a supervision of the work so far as possible, and endeavor to secure reports from all schools next year. It was also voted that the Friday evening meeting at the next annual session be devoted to Sunday-schools work. The committee to consider the re-arrangement of pastorates reported that it is not advisable to make any change at present. At 3 p. m. there was preaching by Rev. O. N. Mott. Business was resumed at 4. A few items of routine were attended to, and a vote of thanks to the people of the community was passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

The District Women's Mission Society held its annual business meeting Saturday afternoon in the schoolhouse, and a public meeting in the church in

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A BUSINESS WORD.

There is much money due the INTELLIGENCER. We need it. We need it now. Within a few weeks a large number of notices were sent to those in arrears. Wishing to avoid addressing them through the paper, we were at the expense and labor of sending a letter to each. We hoped to have remittances from the most of them. We were disappointed. The few who responded promptly have our thanks. The others we are addressing again in this note, respectfully and most urgently urging them to forward payments now.

The expenses of publication are large, and have to be paid promptly. The money with which to do it must come from those who get the paper. Delayed payments make hard work at this end of the business. For ten minutes, in your thought, change places with us. Then act.

This is the 13th July. Before the end of the month we ought to have a remittance from every one who is in arrears, whether much or little. No one should delay a day after reading this notice. Kindly give us the help of a quick response. We will expect to hear from you all right away.