

sphere an essential factor in influencing world events. If God works through the whole human family or a collective number, he works through the individual. Should not each one then not only be a "co-worker" but an intelligent "co-worker" with God?

E. S. P.

Religion's Best Manifestation.

There is no greater need of the present time than the manifestation of the religious spirit in the ordinary affairs and relations of life. *The Presbyterian* well expresses it thus: "Here is a field in which everyone may most usefully exercise himself. Let the business man who desires to make his spiritual life more than passively receptive carry into his business a lofty standard of honor that scorns all doubtful, devious ways and hates the filthy gain of oppression or dishonesty. Let the politician stand upon the ground that it is no shame to be beaten, but that to win shamefully is disgrace. In daily intercourse restore to their rightful place the best graces of humility, self-abnegation, forgiveness of injuries and the overcoming of evil with good. Let the religion which we receive from private devotion, the instruction of God's house and from the ordinances of the church, be exhibited in cheerfulness, kindness and consideration for others. Thus we shall grow continually in spiritual power and our lives will be increasingly blessed and useful."

OF OTHER DENOMINATION

—Rev. J. E. Miller, of P. E. Island, has accepted the call to the Episcopal church of Wolfville.

—Rev. Alex. White, former pastor of the Main Street Baptist Church, St. John, has accepted a call to the First Avenue Baptist Church, Toronto.

St. Paul's Church, (Episcopal), Halifax, has completed and opened its new hall on Argyle Street. Addresses by Doctors Lathern, Saunders and McMillan, Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian, respectively, constituted a significant and pleasing feature of the opening exercises.

—Special services of an interesting character were held Sunday afternoon in the Presbyterian Church, Fredericton, when portraits of Rev. John Brooke, D. D., pastor of St. Paul's from 1843 to 1876, and John Edwards, elder from 1849 to his death in 1896, were unveiled. Judge Stevens was present and delivered an eloquent oration on the life and times of Dr. Brooke.

—A new Episcopal church at Glassville was formally opened on the 27th ult. Bishop Kingdon being unable to be present there will be a consecration service later.

Miss Costellow writes of the day school for girls in Calcutta: "The Hindu school work has been very much blessed, for many girls openly confess their faith in Christ, and the power of the Gospel is reaching into the homes through the children. It takes a great deal of courage for a girl of ten or eleven years to refuse obedience to the laws of the household and not bow down to the family idols."

News of the Churches.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—New Year's services were conducted in the church, Middle Southampton, York Co. At the close of which the pastor and his wife were given a most pleasant surprise. L. N. W. Brown, B.A., by request of the members of the church, read to them an address of an highly appreciative character, and on behalf of the congregations of Middle Southampton and Campbell's Settlement, presented the pastor with a beautiful beaver cap and mitts and Mrs. Barnes with a fine pair of dog-skin mitts, for which we are greatly thankful to all the donors.

J. J. BARNES.

KESWICK, YORK Co.—We desire, through the INTELLIGENCER, to thank the friends in Keswick for their kindness to us. Dec. 17th, though the night was bitterly cold, a large number met at our residence and presented us with the donation of \$53.50, which was gratefully accepted. The friends here are very kind to us. Also, we desire to thank the people of Keswick and Douglas for their help in our great bereavement in the loss of our infant child. Pray for us in our bereavement.

R. HEINE.

ST. JOHN, NORTH.—The work in Victoria Street church is going along pleasantly. We begin the new year free from any encumbrance by debt. The Sunday school, after paying for their piano, had sufficient funds to enlarge the platform in the school room and purchase new hymn books. The primary classes, on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27, gave an excellent Christmas exercise, and an offering was taken for missions. I am pleased to be able to say that this year the school has carried out the truth that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." In place of the usual Christmas tree and treat, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th, an entertainment was given consisting of choruses, piano duets, vocal duets and readings. At the close Santa Claus appeared and received the offerings from the scholars and others present; the amount contributed being seventeen dollars, to be used for charitable purposes.

D. LONG.

UPPER HAINESVILLE.—The Free Baptist Sunday school Christmas concert at Hainesville, York Co., was in many ways a successful affair. It is judged to be the best concert in the history of the Sunday school there. Mr. G. Sleep, superintendent, acted as chairman, and Miss Viola Howland, teacher of instrumental music, presided at the organ with her usual proficiency. All parts of the programme, especially the musical, were splendidly rendered, in the presence of nearly five hundred people. The Sunday school, in a neat way, presented their faithful superintendent, Mr. Sleep, with a beautiful Persian lamb-cap, thus expressing their appreciation for his loving interest and care for the school.

The collecting at the door amounted to over nine dollars. In speaking of this school it is safe to say that it is one of the largest and best conducted Sunday schools in the county outside of the towns. It is well supplied with a good class of books and papers, which are carefully looked after by Mr. William Jones, librarian.

J. J. BARNES.

OAK POINT, K. Co.—Permit me space to report a very nice time we had in the church at Oak Point the night after Christmas. Our young people, with the young people of the Methodist church, met to have a Sabbath school concert and their Christmas tree. The tree was laden with good things for the children. The concert was a grand success, the singing and music was, I think, to be rated among the best. Every part was finely rendered by the young men and women, and the children. I was very glad to see our young folk take such an active interest in religious things, and in the Sabbath school work. It is good to know that our young men and women have not outgrown the Sabbath school, nor themselves. I wish to say that Santa Claus remembered me at the time in bringing me a nice pair of overboots, with some other things. I did not enjoy Christmas as much as I would like, owing to poor health. I have been for two weeks scarcely able to be about, but I am hoping I am improving now. I trust all the brethren had a good Christmas and a happy New Year. I hope to be able to do something in my pastorate for the INTELLIGENCER. Some have said to me that they must take it, and I will try to get some new subscribers.

J. A. ROBERTSON.

January 4th.

MINISTERS.—Rev. Abram Perry, moderator of Conference, preached last Sunday for the first time since he was injured a few weeks ago. His brethren will be glad to hear that he is now feeling very well.

The brethren will sympathize with Rev. R. Heine and wife in the death of their child.

At the annual meeting of the St. John branch of the Evangelical Alliance, held last week, Rev. C. T. Phillips was elected president.

Rev. A. D. Paul began special meetings at Lindsay, C. Co., last week.

SO VERY MODEST.—An exchange says: The trouble with Dowie is that he is too modest. Here, for example, is his own estimate of his personal ability in several lines, independent of the special help of the Almighty which he possesses to have: "If I should turn my attention to finances, I could rival Rockefeller. If I should become a politician, I would make Mark Hanna look sick, and if I had followed military affairs, I would have been a great general. Why, then, with all these qualities, should I be posing as a prophet when I could do so much better in other lines than other men?" And then he adds, very pertinently and truly: "I am either the prophet (Elijah) or I am a great impostor."

CIRCULATION NOTES.

Those who have sent 1904 renewals have our thanks. Their promptness has brought cheer. We hope all the others will do the same now.

Many subscribers, renewing their subscriptions, write good words about the INTELLIGENCER. It is gratifying to know that the efforts to make this paper instructive and helpful are not in vain.

Among the remittances received last week was one from a Chicago gentleman, paying for six subscriptions besides his own. This he has been doing for several years. Of one of those to whom he sent the paper, and who died during the year, he says: "She told me she got great comfort in reading it." He sends it now to her daughter. "It is," he says, "a good New Year present, coming every week, and lasting all the year."

There are others who might do good in the way this thoughtful man does—by sending the INTELLIGENCER to some who could not otherwise have it. Try it.

Those pastors who have sent lists of renewals from their people have our hearty thanks. Doubtless other pastors are receiving subscriptions, and will be heard from soon. This is the time when the thoughtful pastor can do effective work for his denominational paper.

We will be very glad if the friends of the INTELLIGENCER will make unusual effort to secure new subscribers. Some have sent new names. We are hoping to get many more.

Sample copies will be sent to any address furnished.

BAPTIST UNION.—At a recent St. John Baptist ministers' meeting, of which the Baptist and Free Baptist pastors of the city are members, the following resolution, moved by Rev. Dr. Gates, was adopted:

"The Baptist and Free Baptist ministers here assembled hail with delight the growing spirit in our churches looking towards organic union of the two Christian bodies here represented in this province, and we rejoice that committees representing both are now appointed looking toward this end;

"Therefore resolved, That we hereby assure the above committees of our deep interest in this matter, and that we shall follow them in their deliberations with our best wishes and prayers."

HOW VERY CLEAR.—Now that Herbert Spencer, the great synthetic philosopher and agnostic, is dead, his wonderful definition of evolution will have new interest for many. It is as follows: "Evolution is a continuous change from indefinite incoherent homogeneity to definite coherent heterogeneity of structure and function, through successive differentiations and integrations." This definition was paraphrased by the great English mathematician, Kirkham, as follows: "Evolution is a change from a nohowish, untalkaboutable, all-alikeness to a somehowish and in-general talkaboutable, not-all-alikeness, by continuous somethingelseifications and stick togetherations."