

Quarterly Meeting.

The P. E. I. Eastern Quarterly District meeting held its first session of the present Association year in the Baptist church of Dundas, Oct. 22. The churches of Montague and Murray River, Annandale and Dundas, East Point and Souris, were represented by their respective pastors and seven lay delegates. Two sessions were held. The afternoon session opened at 3 o'clock with singing and prayer, our chairman, Rev. I. J. Skinner, presiding. The undersigned was appointed secretary for the current year, and Bro. Skinner treasurer.

Reports as to what had already been attempted in the interest of missions and of the "Convention scheme," being called for, were given in substance as follows: Deacon Alex. Scott reported regular missionary meetings held by the pastor at East Point on first Sabbath evening of each month during past two years with gratifying results. Interest in missions deepens. Collections about double what they were at first.

Rev. F. A. Kelson having but recently settled as pastor of the Annandale and Dundas churches, could at present only report that a plan to introduce regular monthly collections for missions and the "envelope system," would be submitted to the churches at their next conferences.

Rev. I. J. Skinner had secured the passage of a resolution by which special collections for missions were being taken up every communion Sabbath. The plan is working well. During the past six months more than the average rate of one dollar per member had been realized.

Dea. Wm. McLeod feared that the Convention scheme might sometimes work adversely. Certain individuals, who could and should do more, might be tempted, on payment of one dollar, to fancy that their responsibility was then at an end. He moved that "this District Meeting heartily recommend to the churches represented in it, the Scripture method of raising money for the cause of God, by weekly offerings, as the Lord should prosper each individual." This motion was seconded by Bro. Kelson, and passed unanimously.

The needs of outlying and neglected sections were then considered. Sturgeon, Wood Islands, Maria, Head of Morell and Souris were named as important sections, for which, under existing arrangements, only too little could be done.

On motion of Bro. Kelson, it was unanimously resolved "that the Home Mission Board be requested to send general missionary Wallace, who is now on the Island, to the above named places to co-operate with the settled pastors in furthering the interests of the cause in these sections."

A general missionary meeting, as previously announced, was held at 7 o'clock. An appropriate and very suggestive sermon, by Rev. I. J. Skinner, upon Lev. 4:13-14, "The perpetual altar-fire," was followed by stirring missionary addresses by Brethren Kelson and Scott, with a few parting words in the same line of thought from the undersigned. A collection for Convention Fund was then taken up, and the meeting dismissed. This ended this very interesting and profitable session of our "District Meeting." R. H. Bismarck Sec'y.

From Rev. R. S. Morton.

On the 18th of September, A. D. 1868, I received injuries by a fall, which paralyzed my lower limbs. Since that time I have been an invalid, have suffered continual and much of the time severe pain, my nerves being greatly injured. And on the 7th of August last, I had an attack of cholera, which brought me to death's door, and I thought I was surely going home, and I rejoiced in the glorious prospect of soon being with and like Jesus. But it was not so to be; and I am here still, having quite recovered from the attack of cholera, but the old neuralgia pain remains as bad as ever. Yet I have much to be grateful for. House and home, food and clothing, kind friends, and above all, a hope in Christ, and a home in heaven! It seems wonderful that I should be left, while so many of God's devoted and useful servants have been taken away! I have the names of 43 ordained Baptist ministers with whom I have been personally acquainted, all of whom have passed on to their eternal home since I have been laid by! And of late they are going in quick succession! Surely God is saying to each of us, "Be ye also ready." "Whatsoever your hands find to do, do it with your might." "For the night cometh when no man can work." But, oh! who is there to fill the place of those who have recently fallen at their post, especially that of Bro. Rand? God pity the poor Minnie! and have mercy upon all poor sinners. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

May God graciously sustain and comfort the mourning friends and relatives of each of those men of God, who have recently departed, Revs. Rand, Kempton and McKennie, and when our earthly career is finished, may each of us be found prepared to meet with those gone before

us, and with them to receive the Master's "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Millville, Oct. 22. R. S. Morton.

P. S.—Rev. J. W. S. Young has our deepest sympathy in his sore bereavement. May God graciously support and comfort him in his affliction. R. S. M.

Infants' Home, Halifax.

The committee of the Infants' Home, Halifax, earnestly appeals to the Baptist churches of the Maritime Provinces for Thanksgiving collections. During the past many subscriptions have been received from them and much valuable aid in carrying on the work of the Home. Since its founding 700 infants have been cared for and about 200 have been adopted into good homes. The committee hopes that this appeal will meet with a ready response.

M. K. F. SAUNDERS, Sec'y.
Halifax, Oct. 26.

Colporteur Work.

As very few of the churches belonging to the Eastern Baptist Association have responded to the notice in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR of October 2, respecting colporteur work, I wish to inform them that the committee of the Baptist Book Room have already appointed the colporteur for this district, and expect that \$200 to be paid at once. Please forward your collections to Bro. Geo. A. McDonald, Secretary-Treasurer, and thus give tangible evidence that we mean business.

T. B. LAYTON,
Sec'y N. S. E. B. Association.
Great Village, Nov. 1.

Lot 10, P. E. I.

I spent three days of last week at Lot 10 in special work, and on the Lord's day, Oct. 27, I baptized two persons, both good men. One had been a Roman Catholic, and later a Salvation Army soldier. At the water side, after hearing the Scriptures and witnessing the ordinance, he laid aside his Salvation Army coat and requested baptism, and was unanimously accepted by the church. After preaching we observed the Lord's Supper, and said good-bye to the little Baptist church here, who were jubilant that the Lord had in mercy revived His work among them. After coming from the pulpit an elderly lady came to me, with tears, to say she had heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Arise and be baptized," and entreated me to return and baptize her. So, after preaching at Poplar Grove in the afternoon, where I met four or five Baptist families, and at Tyne Valley in the evening, where I met a crowded congregation, and observed with the little church there, after preaching, the Lord's Supper. I returned to this place and resumed special labor. To-day I had the pleasure of baptizing six men into the fellowship of the church. I have been permitted to baptize many, but seldom have I seen such a joyful company. They went down into the waters singing and rejoicing, and after their baptism, came up out of the waters and went on their way rejoicing. One of the six is over 80 years of age, a sister of the late Rev. J. Goudreau, of N. B., the oldest person I have ever baptized. She had been a member of another church, but could not be denied the privilege of the believer's baptism. The entire six, save one, are heads of families. There is a wonderful improvement in the state of things religiously. This little church was planted by Rev. E. N. Archibald, and he and his family and labors are held in grateful and affectionate remembrance by the people. This church is a part of the Tyne Valley Field, embracing Belmont, Tyne Valley and Lot 10. At the first mentioned place I gave my first two weeks after coming to the island, and would doubtless have witnessed a gracious revival there but for the stubborn alienation among prominent members of the church. Good, however, was done, and the church was generous in their financial offerings. Tyne Valley has a neat place of worship, pleasantly located, and a comfortable parsonage now vacant and awaiting, pleadingly, to be occupied by a pastor. This church, and also that at Belmont, was planted by Rev. D. G. McDonald, and many are cherishing the hope that he may visit them soon, and it is my conviction that, should he be able to do so, his visit might be signally blessed of God. Bro. L. J. Ingram, lic., spent his last summer's vacation on this field, and his efforts were appreciated, especially at Tyne Valley and Lot 10. Since I came to P. E. I. I have spent four days, including the Sabbath, with the church at the O'Leary Road, and preached seven times, and three days at Alberton and Alma, during which I held four services. I found our esteemed brother, Rev. R. B. Kinley, occupying this field, and appreciated by the people generally. In Alberton the church occupy their new house, which compares favorably in appearance and comfort with any place in the town. The little church at Alma is looking up. They have commenced to build, and the outlook is hopeful. At O'Leary Road, too, there are indications of progress. At Springfield a place of worship is being built. The outside, except the tower, is finished, and pre-

sents an attractive appearance. O'Leary has given us as preachers, Jas. Lock, of Maine; Edward Lock, of Middleton, N. S.; and Wm. Smallman, of Acadia College, and I hear of another at O'Leary and one at Alma who are cherishing a purpose to devote themselves to the preaching of the gospel as their life work.

I leave here to-morrow, D. V., for Belmont, for the Sabbath, and unless Providence otherwise ordain I will next week go to N. S. to the assistance of Bro. Haverstock, and faint hope that I may be permitted to witness such displays of divine mercy on his field as I enjoyed nine years ago. ISA. WALLACE.
Lot 10, P. E. I., Oct. 31.

Religious Intelligence.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

SPRINGFIELD.—I had the pleasure last Sabbath of baptizing and receiving into the first Springfield church, a very promising young man. Brethren pray for us that there may be more to follow. Nov. 1. S. H. CORNWALL.

HALIFAX.—The pastor of the church, Rev. B. N. Hughes, baptized and received into the church, Sabbath, 27th, a sister, a mother of an amiable family, who, after a long struggle, finally saw her way clear to obey her Saviour.

FINCH VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. J. H. Peck, of Windsor, has accepted the call extended him by this old church and becomes its pastor Jan. 1st, 1890. We all regret that on account of broken health Pastor Adams has had to resign the pastorate after four years of most faithful service. C. H. SAUNDERS, Church Clerk.

LONG CREEK, P. E. I.—The social meetings in connection with this church have been very interesting for some time past, and we have been encouraged by seeing the younger members take such an active part. One young sister offered herself (at our last conference meeting) to the church for baptism, and on Sabbath afternoon (27th inst.) was duly baptized and given the hand of fellowship. We are expecting the Lord to bless us in other parts of the field.

GABARUS, C. B.—Our dear brother and pastor has been taken away from us again by a call to his educational home to fit himself more fully for the blessed work of the Master. May the good and wise God bless him in his studies. The little church at Gabarus missed the dear brother very much after forming such a happy acquaintance, for the happy memory of Bro. N. A. McNeill will be cherished in the hearts of his brethren at Gabarus as long as life lasts, and our hearts are always glad to think that he has the prayers of the little Baptist church at Gabarus.

GEORGE MCGILLIVRAY, Church Clerk.

WESTPORT, Digby County, N. S.—In order to accept a situation on the MESSENGER AND VISITOR, I found it necessary to resign my connection with the Baptist church, at Westport; where I have had a pleasant pastorate of four years. The brethren have kindly accepted my resignation, and we part in the same loving fellowship with which we have lived together. I pray that the Lord may bless them dear brethren and sisters in all their ways and works for their comfort and the glory of His name. Any brother seeking a pastorate will here find a comfortable field of labor, offering peculiarly favorable advantages for study, and the best work he is capable of putting forth in the Master's cause. They have a comfortable parsonage, and church buildings convenient. The people are able and willing to give a good support. The church would like to hear from any pastor who may be seeking a change of pastorate. Correspondence will be received and answered by addressing Capt. Thos. Paek, church clerk. My present address is MESSENGER AND VISITOR, St. John, N. B.

Oct. 30th, '89. J. H. SAUNDERS.

SHREVE.—Our preaching services are increasing numerically as well as in interest and power. The conference meetings of the church are means of refreshing. The presence of the Lord is felt among us. Yesterday I ordained three deacons in the Sandy Point church—men of piety and Christian integrity. It was a day of blessing to our souls. The outlook is brightening all the time, all over the field. Jordan Bay section is now finishing their house of worship, which, we hope, will be ready to dedicate, by the first of January, to the service of God. Sandy Point is about repairing their house of worship, and Port Clyde is contemplating the erection of a new church next summer, for which we shall, no doubt, make some preparation this winter. Port Clyde church is weak and small, only fourteen members, and much opposition to encounter. They need the sympathy and aid of the denomination, which will be solicited in due time, when a fuller account will be given of their situation. We have already made arrangements to pay something into the Convention Fund quarterly, each church in the field. We hope to report before long the conversion of souls for this we are, praying and preaching. The people are kind to their pastor. T. M. MUNRO.

Oct. 28. WOLFVILLE.—Clark Braden, lectured before a good audience in College Hall on 28th ult. His treatment of the subject, "Christianity and Skepticism," was popular. Among other striking sentences were the following: "The language of truth is, 'Accept me, and me alone.' The most intolerant thing is truth. Infidelity is destructive of everything that constitutes the meaning. Get infidelity to let Christianity alone until it agrees upon what it will affirm and there will be no need of discussing the difference between Christianity and skepticism. A thing cannot evolve out of itself what was never in it. Darwin's origin of species is a tissue of assumptions. Evolution only accounts for varieties, not for the origin of matter or of life. There are ideas so universally accepted as religious ideas. Infidelity, however, is abroad in the world and the church must be on her guard against it and establish people in the truth. The best minds of the

world are religious minds." The institutions are all well attended. Reports have already been made in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR of the College and Academy. The Seminary has seventy on its roll. All reports agree in representing the management as every way satisfactory. Miss Harding has the honor and responsibility of presiding over the institution for the present, and is discharging her duties in an admirable manner. Miss Graves is expected to reach Wolfville before the close of the present term, and to enter upon her work at the opening of the new year. A series of musical recitals will be given during the year. The congregations at the services of the church are large and a good interest is maintained. Recently a son of the Rev. Joshua Donovan, of Toronto, was baptized, and last Lord's day two young men, students of the college, were received in the same way. One of these is a son of the late Rev. J. A. McLean; the other a member of the Freshman class. The Sunday-school is flourishing under the approved management of its long-time superintendent, Dea. J. W. Barrs. At last conference the church cordially and properly voted a hundred dollars for use of the school.

NOTICES.

The Foreign Mission Board will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 3 p. m. important. W. J. STEWART.

CORRECTION.—In a recent issue of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR, a sketch of the history of the Jeddore Church was given, in which it was stated that the new church building cost \$2,000. It should have been \$3,200. P. W. MAXWELL, Church Clerk.

THE SUNNY SIDE.—The Rev. Bro. Cline and his estimable wife held a reception in the School-room of the First Baptist church, Halifax, on the evening of the 22nd inst., to celebrate their fifth or wedding day. Some 400 friends were present. The gifts were numerous, varied and valuable.

Last Tuesday evening, Oct. 29th, my wife and I were made very happy by a cash donation from the 2nd Springfield Baptist church, assisted by the Free Baptists adjoining, amounting to twenty-six dollars and forty-three cents. This is not the first time this church has remembered us; sometime ago we received a present of a valuable set of dishes from them. Nor has the 1st Church been unkindful of us, for on the evening of our landing here they met us with a nice donation of groceries, to help us in setting up housekeeping. Truly "The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage." Our desires are that the Lord may richly bless the people, and build them up in the most holy faith, and daily add to the church such as shall be saved.

S. H. CORNWALL.

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SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID.

David Long, \$4; Geo. C. Crabbe, \$2; Belle S. Green, \$1; D. C. Clark, \$2; Cash, \$2; Gilbert J. McLean, \$2; Mrs. Silas Burt, \$2.50; Mrs. J. S. Smith, \$2; Thos. Graham, \$2; Mrs. H. L. Everett, \$1; Fred. W. Sumner, \$6; W. C. Newcombe, \$2; Frank Fales, \$2; W. C. Snow, \$2; Thos. Currie, \$2; Mrs. Thos. Currie, \$2; Mrs. E. P. Slader, \$1; Donaldson Hunt, \$2; D. L. Pitt, \$5; F. C. Wright, \$2; Mrs. R. L. Parker, \$1; W. H. Crandall, \$4; W. H. Wortman, \$2; Henry W. Jones, \$2; Amos Hyder, \$2; M. E. Floyd, \$1; M. E. W. Duff, \$1; James W. Cline, \$5; Cassie Hannah, \$1; Jessie Perrie, \$1; T. C. Toole, \$4.

—Spurgeon mentions an incident in the life of a certain saint, who dreamed that he went to the gates of heaven and was asked, "Who art thou?" "I am Christian." The porter said, "No; you are a Ciceronian; there has been more of Cicero than Christ in your subjects, and you must go back to where Cicero has gone." He awoke, and behold it was a dream, and it made so much impression upon him that he went back and began to translate the Holy Scripture into Latin, producing that wonderful book, the Latin Vulgate, and henceforth his one theme was Christ and Christ alone.

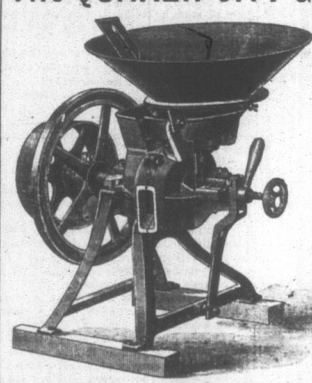
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