

Notes by the Way.

By an invitation accepted, a visit to Hampton Station, Smithtown and Upperham churches was made for the purpose of supplying these pulpits on Sunday, September 18, for Rev. Bro. Manser, the pastor, and at the same time of doing something in the interest of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR. There was much to interest and fatigue the preacher in such a day's work as this. To drive some twenty miles over a hilly, romantic piece of country on a delightful September day, with a careful Christian brother to care for you, and then to have the privilege of preaching three sermons on the blessed Gospel of the Son of God to attentive audiences, though small, is quite enough to make one happy all the day and glad to rest at its close. Smithtown is among the oldest churches of N. B., having been organized in 1821. It has not attained large proportions, as its present membership is 48. A house of worship, convenient in situation and size, plain and neat, is maintained on the site where the fathers built. It was encouraging to find a few brethren and sisters gathered with the young in well organized Sabbath-school work. By careful oversight the resources of this church may be developed to the great advantage of the people, both morally and materially. We hope to aid in this good work by introducing a few additional copies of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR into this neighborhood.

From this an hour's drive brings us to Titusville, where is the headquarters of the Upham church. This is a small interest, reporting some 80 members. In this valley of the Hammond river and its tributaries there are signs of wealth and material prosperity, in which the Baptist church does not appear, to one jealous for its interests; to have its full share. We were glad to hear Bro. Manser's labors in these places appreciatively referred to.

Hampton Station, for convenience and beauty, has a location not often surpassed. Circumstances both favorable and adverse to the interest of the Baptist church in this, the shire-town of the county of Kings, have given it a somewhat chequered history. Even adversity is not an unmitigated evil for a Baptist church. In such seasons loyalty to Christ is developed and Christian principles tested. The culture of these cardinals always produces good fruit. Under the wise leadership of the present pastor the outlook is hopeful.

We had the privilege of a pleasant call upon Rev. G. Howard, the popular pastor of the Hampton Village and Norton churches. He, with his estimable wife and family, are comfortably housed in a neat parsonage. This good brother is abundant in labors and hopeful of results. J. H. S.

Ordination Service.

According to invitation the following council met in the Baptist church at Albany, Annapolis County, N. S., on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 1 o'clock p. m.: From Bridgetown—Pastor F. M. Young; Paradise—Pastor R. B. Kinley, Bros. Ray and Young; Lawrencetown—Pastor J. T. Eaton; Pine Grove—Pastor E. E. Locke, Bros. J. A. Gates and T. A. Nelly; Nictaux—Dea. Parker, Bros. S. Bartheaux and J. Whitman; Springfield—Pastor S. Langille; Annapolis—Bro. D. Whitman; Wolfville—Pastor T. A. Higgins, D. D.; New Germany—Pastor G. F. Raymond; invited members—Rev. Mr. Downing (Methodist), and Bros. A. DeLong, C. Roop and J. Bent. Council organized by electing Rev. F. M. Young moderator and G. F. Raymond clerk.

The clerk of the Albany church stated to the council the reason why they were called, viz.: Some months ago Bro. G. E. Whitman was accepted by the American F. M. Board as a missionary to China, and he wished to be ordained at his old home church in the presence of his parents and friends. Bro. Whitman then gave the council a statement of his conversion, call to the ministry and views of Christian doctrine and church polity. Numerous questions were then asked by members of the council, all of which were ably answered. After the brother retired from the council the following resolution was passed:

"Whereas, this council having listened to the statement by Bro. G. E. Whitman of his conversion, Christian experience, call to the ministry and views of Christian doctrine; and being perfectly satisfied with the same, do hereby resolve to proceed with his ordination."

In the evening the following programme was carried out: Ordination sermon, Rev. S. Langille; ordaining prayer, Rev. E. E. Locke; hand of fellowship, Rev. G. F. Raymond; charge to the candidate, Rev. T. A. Higgins, D. D.; charge to the congregation, Rev. J. T. Eaton.

The wife of Bro. Whitman then gave a short address, which was much appreciated by the audience. The exercises of the day were closed when Rev. G. E. Whitman pronounced the benediction. The church was filled both by day and evening. May the rich blessing of our Father be with Brother and Sister Whitman as they labor for Christ in China. G. F. Raymond, Clerk of Council.

—It is reported that Dr. Lorimer has, or will soon receive, a call to the pastorate of the Regent's Park Baptist church, London, lately filled by Rev. F. B. Meyer.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

SOUTH RADWICK.—We received one by letter at our last conference, which makes three received into fellowship since Convention. Brethren, pray for us. L. A. COONEY.

ARROYO.—This morning (Sept. 18th), through the blessed ordinance that symbolizes our Lord's death, burial and resurrection, six sisters became members of the Arroyo Baptist church. We will report again in a little while.

TAKENACLE, ST. JOHN.—A congregation that completely filled the audience room and adjoining class rooms assembled Sunday evening to hear Rev. Dr. Hopper preach, after which Pastor Ingram baptized a young sister.

LEINSTER STREET, ST. JOHN.—This church has extended a call to Rev. J. J. Baker, of Ontario, who has been supplying for a few Sundays. We learn that there is great unanimity and earnestness in the call, and strong hopes are entertained that it will be accepted.

FREDERICTON.—Rev. F. D. Crawley has resigned the pastorate of Fredericton Baptist church. He presented his resignation at the regular business meeting of the congregation last night. A meeting of the congregation held ready to be called for Monday night to consider the matter. Mr. Crawley has been pastor of the church for ten years.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.—One has recently been baptized. The interest in the general services of the church is more than ordinary, and the outlook for the future very promising. An evening has recently been devoted to an address by our pastor on our "Convention: its work and relation to the church." As a result we believe our people are taking a more intelligent interest in our denominational work than ever before. The representative of our Young People's Society also gave a very interesting report of the organization of the Y. P. M. B. U. and its plans for future work. Com.

GARDNER, ME., U. S. A.—My friends will be glad to learn that I am still gaining strength, although unable to do much preaching as yet. Visited Digby Neck and had the privilege of hearing Dr. Morse preach an excellent sermon on Sunday, the 4th inst. By request I preached for them in the evening. We then left for St. John. After spending a short time visiting friends in St. John and Carleton we took the train for Gardner. We are now enjoying the hospitality of the home of Mrs. Parker, formerly of Digby Neck. There is one Baptist church in this city, Rev. Mr. Owen is the pastor.

SOUTH ROBINSON, ME.—I came to this field the last of July, and since coming God has abundantly blessed our united efforts and many have been enquiring the way of life and truth. Last Sabbath (11th), my father and I exchanged pulpits, and he baptized four happy converts here and "they were added to the church." We are praying, and the prospect looks bright, that others may come and obey Christ fully in His blessed ordinance, before I return to my studies. The good people desire to remain a year with them, but I feel the need of more preparation for the work, and I feel satisfied that God's hand is directing me to my work of preparation. Pray for us over here that God may raise up more workers, for truly "the harvest is great but the laborers are few." T. W. TODD.

RIVER JOHN, N. S.—By request I came from the Eastern Association of N. S., at Pictou, to spend the Sabbath here. We had good meetings, including a solemn communion service. I yielded to the wish of the church to linger a few days. Last evening we held an impressive baptism in the river near "the Oak," where fifteen years ago I had the pleasure of baptizing seven persons. Last evening there were two candidates, both heads of families and constituting a valuable accession. It gives me especial pleasure to say that the ministry of my son, Low Wallace, during his vacation spent here, has been largely blessed of God and highly appreciated by the people. He has left to resume his studies at Wolfville, but has left the cause of religion greatly improved by his ministry, and bears with him the best wishes of the people, old and young, whom he has served. ISA. WALLACE.

TAKENACLE, HALIFAX.—The work at the Tabernacle has been progressing slowly since I wrote. The first concert is done and the singing has commenced. We hope to have the dedication on October 9th. Will be glad to have any of our brethren with us who can attend. Arrangements will be announced later on. If any church or friend is disposed to aid us, their help will be thankfully received. We are very anxious to reduce the debt, which I fear is too heavy to carry and live. But on the day of opening we hope to make a good report. Brethren, pray for us. The following is the report of the council: Previously acknowledged, \$304.46; Wm. M. McVicar, Annapolis, \$1; Wm. R. Barnes, New Germany, \$1; Windsor church, Hants County, \$10; Mary Tully, New York, \$1. Total, \$317.46. We pray God to bless all who have helped us and all who have it in their hearts to do so yet. Our meetings are good, and we hope to use our new baptistry at an early date. Wm. E. HALL.

MILL VILLAGE.—It was my privilege to baptize a young man at Mill Village on Sunday, the 18th inst. At the close of the interesting service which followed, the candidate received the right hand of fellowship, and the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was administered. We were very happy to have with us Bro. A. W. Barnes, whose health has been in a precarious condition for some time. Though still feeble he is stronger than he was at one time, and was able to assist in the administration of the Supper. Bro. Barnes has labored faithfully and successfully for many years, and we all join in the prayer that, if it can be God's will, he may yet be raised up for further service in the cause of the Master. The churches of Port Medway and Mill Village have been well cared for during the summer months by Bro. Daniel Hatt, lic. This is the second vacation our brother has spent with this people. He leaves shortly to continue his studies at McMaster University. Bro. Hatt is an earnest and devoted worker, and his labors have been appreciated by

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the people and blessed of God. And now the question comes, how are these churches to be supplied with regular pastoral labor? It does seem very important that they should have some faithful brother to take up the work at once, and unless they do the cause must suffer. No doubt our Home Mission Board will do all that is possible for them to do in aiding the people to settle a pastor. I. E. BILL.

WOLFVILLE.—The Kings County (N. S.) Baptist Sabbath-school Convention held its annual meeting here on the 22nd inst. The Hants County Association met with the convention and added much to the interest of the sessions. Papers and addresses were given by Rev. E. E. Daley, W. M. Sanford, J. Hall, Rev. Joseph Murray, J. H. Cox, Noble Cranford, Rev. S. B. Kempton, Prof. Wortman conducted the Bible exercises, the lesson being the Conversion of Saul. A number of ministers took part in the exercises, among them being Rev. M. P. Freeman, Rev. F. A. McEwen, Rev. F. S. McGregor, Rev. W. C. Vincent, Rev. A. J. Kempton, Rev. E. H. Howe, Rev. R. Sanford. The next meeting is to be held at North Kingston.

ORONOKE, N. S.—Through the MESSENGER AND VISITOR you have heard of the work of our eminent missionary, Rev. J. W. B. Young. To give you anything like a fair estimate of our brother's faithful and self-sacrificing labors in this place would require all the space devoted to our religious intelligence; suffice it to say, that he holds a warm place in the affections of this people. Bro. Young is no longer with us, but the good work goes on. We are encouraged by continued evidence that not one of the converts have proved unfaithful. If the social service is a test of the life of the church, then we have a church that is awake, alive and active. If a large Sabbath-school is a test of the interest taken in the work, then we have much to praise God for. Pray for us, that God may give us vigor of mind and strength of body to feed the flock of Christ. H. S. WHIGHT.

KENWICK RIDGE, N. B.—Some weeks ago I decided to spend a term in study at St. Martin's U. B. Seminary, and consequently had to resign my charge of the churches with which I have labored for two years and four months. This leaves an important field without a pastor, and I hope this want will soon be supplied. Any good brother wishing a field with plenty of work and a kind-hearted co-operative people, will do well to look this way. The field consists of the Macnaquac and Kenwick churches. During the past year I have supplied for the Springfield church, and it is their wish to be supplied by the pastor of the Macnaquac church. There is a very good interest on the field at present. I came away leaving soul-winning in the Lord, and it is very desirable that it be occupied at once. Our relationship with this people has been very pleasant. There has been no ill-feeling or jar either between the church and pastor or among the members of the church, to my knowledge, during the pastorate. We part with the most kindly feeling and earnest desires for each other's prosperity. May God's richest benediction rest upon them in the prayer of my heart. S. D. BROWN.

THE LAYING OF A CORNER STONE.—Another forward step was taken by the Baptist church of Port Medway and Beaver River when, on the 18th inst., the corner stone for a new house of worship was laid in the presence of a large number of people. Your readers will remember that a fine church at Matland, standing on the same site where the present one is being erected, was last spring, struck by lightning and burned to ashes. The plan adopted for the new edifice is similar to that of the new church in Bridgetown. The corner stone was the gift of the Rev. Dr. H. Simpson, a former pastor, and upon him was conferred the honor of using the trowel and putting the stone in its place. After the ceremony of laying the stone, stimulating and excellent addresses were made by Revs. D. H. Simpson, J. H. Feahay, G. R. White, T. Bishop, J. L. Miner, P. H. Robinson (Methodist) and F. H. Beale. The principal address was by the first speaker, and was worthy of the occasion. It was listened to with the very core. We hope to push the work along rapidly, and get the vestry ready for occupancy by November if possible. I wish to acknowledge the receipt of a cheque for seventy dollars towards the cost of the new church from the Beaver River young men, who are at present residing in Brooklyn, N. Y. Their names and gifts are as follows: Calvin W. Raymond, \$50; Russell Raymond, \$5; Lemuel H. Raymond, \$5; Louis Beveridge, \$5; Leslie Dowley, \$5. Noble young men are these. We shall need more help before the church is completed. Who else will give us a lift? W. H. ROBINSON.

PERSONAL.
Rev. A. B. McDonald, of Queens Co., N. B., made a pleasant call on his way to attend the Southern Association.
Rev. I. B. Colwell, who has been spending a vacation up the river, returns

this week to his charge at 2nd Hillsborough refreshed.

The Hon. D. McN. Parker is now (the Hon. John McKinnon having died) the only legislative councillor in Nova Scotia appointed before Confederation. Dr. Parker is a man of such broad and enlightened views, so interested in everything that pertains to the welfare of our country, and entertaining such high moral and religious ideals, beautifully wrought out in his devoted life, that all join in desiring that he may long adorn every position he holds, both in church and state.

NOTICE.
The ladies of the New Ross Baptist church intend holding a tea meeting at Boylan's Hall, on Tuesday, October 4. Should the day prove stormy, the first fine day following. Dinner 30c, tea 25c.

The Cumberland Co. Baptist quarterly meeting will be held at Centerville on Tuesday afternoon and evening, Oct. 4. All churches are requested to send two delegates with their pastor. These meetings are not for the ministers only, but for the people; we urge all to attend.

Will the churches of Colchester Co. please remember that their first quarterly meeting for this association year convenes with the church at Five Islands Oct. 3rd and 4th? The meeting opens Monday evening with a sermon, and an important series of meetings is arranged for Tuesday. Be sure to be represented. Come in the Spirit.

The P. E. I. Quarterly Meeting will meet with the church at East Point on Tuesday, the 4th of October. The churches are requested to send delegates, and we hope the pastors will make it a point to be present. Please remember the resolution passed at the association in regard to the quarterly. F. D. DAVISON, Secy.

The Hants County Auxiliary H. M. Board will meet at Scotch Village, Newport, October 4, at 10 a. m. As each church has the privilege of sending two delegates we trust the churches will be fully represented. This is an important meeting and may all come in fullness of the gospel. J. MURRAY, Falmouth, Sept. 28. Secretary.

The Annapolis County M. and M. Conference will meet in Paradise, Oct. 5, at 10 o'clock a. m. Will the brethren having papers and sermon plans to present please take special notice. Rev. S. H. Cain will deliver an address in the evening, subject: "The Discomfite." The county Sunday-school Convention meets in Paradise, October 4th, at 10 a. m. Will all Sunday-schools send promptly statistics to secretary Elliott. J. T. EATON, Secy.

The Baptist district meeting of Queens Co., N. S., will be held (D. V.) with the Port Medway church, Wednesday, Oct. 5, commencing at 10 o'clock. All the Baptist churches and Sunday-schools in the county are requested to send delegates. All pastors, superintendents and licentiates are ex officio members. Our meetings hitherto have been profitable and we hope the attendance at our next meeting will be as large as possible. I. E. BILL, Pres. of Meeting.

The Albert County Quarterly Meeting convenes with the First Harvey church on the second Tuesday in October (the 11th). As it is the annual meeting a large attendance is requested. The officers for the ensuing year will then be elected. I regret that I am unavoidably circumscribed so as not to have access at this moment to the minutes of the previous meeting, so cannot give the names of the preacher of the quarterly sermon, etc., but trust they will be to their posts. Delegates get return tickets on railway for one fare. W. McCREGGER, Secy-treas.

The fortieth session of the Albert Co. Baptist quarterly meeting will (D. V.) be held at Harvey, on Tuesday, the 11th of October, the first session to begin at two p. m. As this is the annual meeting and the time for the election of a new set of officers, it is desirable that there should be a good attendance. The quarterly meeting sermon will be preached on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Camp (alternate, Rev. J. C. Steadman). A cordial invitation is extended to all who can to meet with us, and come prepared to take part in the services. E. C. BAKER, Pres. and Acting Sec.

The next session of the Digby Co. Ministerial conference will be held at Lids River, commencing October 3, at 7 p. m. with a sermon by Rev. E. P. Caldwell. The bill of fare for the following day will be as follows: An exegesis of Eph. 5: 25, 26, by W. H. Richan; "Qualifications of Teachers," Bro. Cosseth; "A Century of Mission Work," D. H. Simpson; "Why make a special effort?" John Williams; "Will the investment pay?" A. T. Dykeman; "At our present rate of progress can we overtake the work?" C. C. Burgess; "Why Baptists should be more missionary, liberal and persevering in giving the Gospel to the world," Dr. Morse. W. H. RICHAN, Sec.

The First Hillsboro Baptist church purpose holding their seventieth anniversary next month. The date falls on the 6th of October. At a business meeting of the church it was decided to celebrate this event by holding services on the evenings of the 6th, 7th and 8th, and throughout the 9th. All of the churches, together with their pastors, in the parish of Hillsboro, are invited to unite with us in these services. The proposed programme is as follows: Thursday evening, October 6.—Reading of the history of the church and addresses by former pastors. Friday evening, October 7.—Addresses from pastors of invited churches and others. Saturday evening, October 8.—General conference meeting. Sunday, October 9.—Preaching morning and evening. In the afternoon a "roll call" and "thank offering" service. Rev. W. B. Hinson and Rev. John H. Hughes have been requested to preach on the Sabbath. The "thank offering" in the afternoon is to go toward the liquidation of a debt that rests upon the church. We shall be pleased to have any of our ministerial brethren with us. We are hoping that these services may prove a blessing to the church holding them, and to all attending them; and that all things may be done to the glory of God. W. CAMP.

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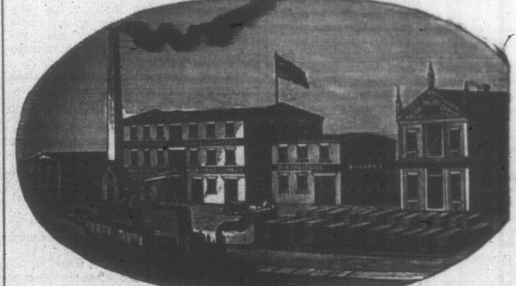
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