

From the Churches.

WINDSOR, N. S.—On Sunday morning, July 4th, the hand of fellowship was given to seven new members, three of whom were received by baptism and four by letter.

FREEPORT AND TIVERTON.—Since our last report four more have been received into the fellowship of the churches, making fifty-six in all received up to date.

July 5th.

NEW TUSKET.—Baptism again on Sunday last at New Tusket. This makes 58 persons baptized on the field in a little more than a year. The young people at New Tusket made the pastor a donation of eight dollars recently. We pray for great spiritual blessings upon them.

SENNETT, N. Y.—Rev. Elbert E. Gates, son of W. J. Gates of Halifax has commenced his 4th year pastorate at Sennett, New York. Sunday June 20th he baptized five converts, the church has steadily prospered under his pastoral care, and his people seem very strongly attached to their young pastor.

CHILMARK, N. S.—Bro. Marple's work here has been greatly blessed, yesterday seven more were baptized making thirty-two in all. In this work he has been ably assisted by Bro. W. H. Dyer, student missionary for the summer. A very promising B. Y. P. U. has been organized. Bro. Marple has now gone to New Cumberland.

ANNAPOLIS.—Bro. Arthur V. Dimock has spent the winter in study at Paradise preparing to enter college this Fall. He is at liberty to assist pastors in evangelistic services this summer or to supply. Bro. Dimock has been very successful in evangelistic work. I can recommend him as a consecrated zealous worker for the Lord Jesus, and know a pastor will find in him a true helper. His address is Paradise, N. S. Bro. Dimock can draw the people out to evangelistic services in summer.

July 5th.

TELEBORO, MAINE.—During a series of meetings recently held in the Baptist church, over thirty, mostly young people began the Christian life. The acting pastor, Rev. George R. Tufts, baptized nine converts on Sunday, June 27th, and fourteen more the following Sunday, others are awaiting the ordinance. A student of Acadia College, employed in one of the large hotels during his vacation, attended the services when opportunity permitted, and promptly gave testimony.

ST. LEONARD.—The Brethren in the lower part of N. B. do not very often hear about our little church at St. Leonard but we are alive, and having some measure of success in our efforts, not only to keep alive, but to advance the interest of a New Testament church in this little place is not marked by any uncommon progress, or business activity. We have had difficulty and encouragement. Our building has now been furnished with a new pulpit and seats. Although the number of Protestants in this neighborhood is limited, the attendance is fair and the opposition to Baptist interest, on the part of the Church of England clergymen, who occupies our pulpit once a month, has really been to the advantage of our cause. We are very much grieved to say that our much beloved and esteemed Deacon Glue is very ill and not expected to recover, it would be a great loss to our church and the cause of the New Testament faith if he is called Home. But God knows best, and his words where when last we saw him, God's will be done, and sure when his will be done all is well.

Yours in the Master's service,

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FOURTY-FOURTH ANNIVERSARY.—There was a very pleasant gathering at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frances Kierstead, Collins Corner, Kings County, on Tuesday evening 7th inst., some of their friends had discovered that it was the forty-fourth anniversary of their marriage and thought the occasion suitable for a surprise party. Accordingly early in the evening they found their home taken possession of by a formidable company which soon received reinforcements, but they were not long in finding that they were in the hands of kind friends. The evening passed pleasantly amid congratulations and general conversation. Some of the guests kindly lent their musical talent for the pleasure of the company. Refreshments were served and

all seemed to enjoy the good things abundantly provided, but we would not like to tell what hour it was when the company found their way back to their homes. A very handsome easy chair, a purse containing money and other articles of value was presented to the happy couple as a souvenir of this very pleasant occasion. We sincerely join with their many friends in wishing them many happy years of married life.

THIRD HORTON CHURCH, NEW MINAS, N. S.—Our four weekly prayer meetings and Sunday Schools are increasing in interest and attendance. The religious pulse is beating regularly. New Ross Road is at the extreme end of this field, a distance of 15 miles from New Minas. We have here some good Christians of the primitive type. These sturdy followers are out of the nursery and with their Bibles they march on to victory. South Alton is the next preaching station coming this way. It is about 10 miles from N. B. Road. This place is coming to the front. Last Friday evening in our prayer meeting strong men were reaching out for the hem of the Master's garment. The sound of quiet rejoicing is dispelling our fears. There has been an apparent change for the better here during the past year. The medium was not the pastor, but a faithful schoolteacher who in addition to teaching letters and figures taught the true knowledge, sowed the good seed, and the harvest is now ready. As a church we are blessed in having had during the past school year 3 earnest consistent schoolteachers. Their influence is being felt and will be felt forever. God bless the schoolteachers. Canaan the next station is 2 miles this side of South Alton. Canaan seemed for some time to be a missioner for that section of this field which overlooks the valley and basin. Canaan will hear and improve with acquaintance. Mrs. William Wallace the honored mother of Chancellor Wallace of McMaster, is bearing the standard in Sunday school work. When she is at rest she still will live and work in the lives of others. We have now new strength added to our forces and confidently feel that there are better times in store for this flock of the one fold. New Minas forms the largest part of this church and in many respects is the centre of aspirations. The mumbering that you imagine you hear as you pass through this historic place is not the sound of the bees in the hives nor is it the sound of the Baptist "prior to dissolution," it is the sound of the church preparing to help. We are yet among the small flocks of Judah, but we expect to be strong and to help our denomination in all its undertakings. Our missionaries too from here will receive the widow's mite and our united prayer on their behalf.

GRAND FALLS, N. B.—Has not been as much before the denomination of late as here-to-fore. It was alive when we came here last spring, but that is all that could be said in its favor. It seems as though while the servants slept the enemy came and sowed tares amongst the wheat, and the tares have been growing so they have almost killed the wheat; and nothing was being accomplished, and again our Presbyterian brethren have monopolized the church for all evening services, while no hall or private house could be had in our town to take its place. Yet God has been with us, our morning congregation have if anything increased and one candidate has expressed a desire to become baptized. With Grand Falls as a centre we reach out on all sides doing a work at New Denmark, which is divided into three parts, viz: Blue Bell, where we have a service every Tuesday evening, and many come to our meetings and seem to enjoy them judging by the feeling and tears noticed while preaching the word; the regular colony, where we have had some meetings in a Patron's Hall, but the church of England has caused it to be closed for us, now we have private meetings at this place; and Tooby Brook where we have a Sabbath service every two weeks. At first we did have our meetings in the school house but the church of England minister caused it to be closed for us, but next time he himself came to have service in it, the trustees came and acquainted him with the fact that if it was closed for Mr. Gross, it was closed for him also. In this place there seems to be a great interest in hearing the Word, we have as many as 75 persons to every evening service, we now have the use of a nice new Patrons Hall, in that place. We have also one Baptist in this place, baptized in Bangor, Me. Much work will have to be done and it will take sometime but we have no doubt that God has some New Test-

ament believers in this place but here, like our French Missions it will take sometime. Brethren pray for the Danish Mission. We have service every Wednesday evening in a place called Drummond, and Baptist family and a few families with Baptist interests. Thursday evening we have service at Ortonville, where a goodly number of F. C. Baptist brethren reside, and Friday evening at Glasby settlement where a few Baptist reside, we are hoping and praying for a reunion in New Testament faith in these places. God being willing.

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NEWCASTLE, NORTHUMBERLAND CO., N. B.—Some time has passed since any word has been said in reference to the work at Newcastle. In September, 1896, I was led by the hand of Providence to this field, as I purposed to return elsewhere, immediately after preaching my first sermon I received a unanimous call. At the commencement of my pastorate the church was not in as prosperous a condition as one could wish, having been pastorless for some months, but the members took hold of the work in harmony and it has progressed nicely. Not without a few ill breezes but they seem to have blown over and the prospects of fair weather in the future appear good. The prayer-meeting is spiritual and regularly attended, the Sabbath School was never as large nor more interesting and the preaching services are remarkably large considering the number of Baptists in Newcastle. There has been some conversions in which promising young men and maidens have taken a strong stand for Christ. Three have been added to the church by letter and one by baptism. A promising young man, Arthur Russell, baptized June 27th. The interior of the church has been remodeled making it neat and modern and some repairs have been put on the parsonage also a new fence around the parsonage lot is now under way. The expenses have all been met and the church now stands free of debt. Just at this point God seems to have directed my attention to Paul's admonition to Timothy, 1 Tim. 2:15. My resignation to take effect September 1st, has been tendered and accepted only on the terms that I go to college. The church is very desirous and her prayer is for a faithful shepherd to immediately take up the work at the close of my pastorate. Anyone without a pastorate or desiring to make a change would do well to correspond with the clerk. The field is open to anyone who may wish to visit with a view to settlement. The coming pastor will find a kind and generous people whose love to us has been not only by words but by many tokens of good will. Will not our Home Mission Board do all they can to locate some man on this important field. May God bless our churches.

O. R. STOKES, Pastor.

Baptist Sunday School Convention.

The Baptist Sunday School Convention convened at Buctouche, Saturday, July 3, President, Rev. R. M. Bynon, in the chair.

FIRST SESSION, 2:30 P. M.

Devotional service, led by Rev. M. Normandy; "The Object of this Convention," opened by Rev. F. Patterson. "Six schools reported all evergreen, all prosperous. Thirteen schools were represented. 'What can you suggest for the benefit of our Sunday School work?' opened by Rev. F. Patterson and spoken on by several delegates. Many good suggestions were given, the home department, teachers' meetings, pledges in the Sunday School, all lies out of the libraries, more of Christ, less of quarterlies, etc. Sister Atkinson and Bro. Ayer wished to know the attitude of this convention to the interdenominational. The President replying said it was not the purpose of this convention to antagonize any existing organizations, but a man would be a fool and blind if he left his own garden open to commoners and ran to raise his neighbors fence, for 'He who provideth not for his own and specially for those of his own house hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel.' Our solemn covenant engagement to advance the doctrine of this church, to teach all things that Christ commandeth, to proclaim the whole counsel of God can only be realized where brethren dwell in unity, for, 'How can two walk together except they agree?' The other pastors present endorsed this.

SECOND SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

Devotional service led by Rev. F. Patterson.



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son; Grand Ligne Missions by Rev. M. Normandy. Bro. Normandy was himself a Romanist, and this mission under God was the means of his salvation. Bro. N. portrayed the awful darkness that environs these people, how this mission was organized, by whom organized and some of the glorious results of the same in a way that caused the congregation to manifest the deepest interest in all he said. Revs. Patterson and Bynon spoke on N. B. Home and Foreign missions. Sister Atkinson read a very pointed and practical essay on "The Teacher Taught." Bro. A. H. Moller in a few well chosen remarks commended the essay and pressed practical application.

THIRD SESSION, July 4th, 9:30 A. M. Prayer service, led by Bro. J. West; "Why we need a Baptist Sunday School Convention," Bro. W. Ayer; "What doctrine should be taught in the Baptist Sunday Schools," Rev. F. Patterson; "What is Baptist doctrine?" Rev. R. M. Bynon; "Who should teach our doctrine and how should it be taught?" Rev. M. Normandy. The brethren spoke with no uncertain sound, and the clear yet kind way in which our principles were affirmed was appreciated by all. Miss Edith Dickie gave a very interesting reading on Missions.

FOURTH SESSION, 2:30 P. M.

"Opening a model Sunday School," by Bro. A. H. Moller; "Teaching a model lesson," by Miss M. Geldart, and "A model review," by Rev. M. Normandy were all well rendered. Sermon by Rev. F. Patterson on "Restricted Communion," text Heb. 8:13. The inconsistency of open communionists and the strict compliance with Pentecostal example by close communionists were clearly demonstrated.

FIFTH SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

Gospel temperance meeting. Essay by Miss Geldart on "The teacher's teacher." This was so much appreciated by the convention that she has been asked to publish the same. Recitation by Miss E. Dickie. The collection for foreign missions amounted to \$4, and for Home missions \$7.30. Many were the expressions of gratitude to the Father of Mercies for His rich benediction on all our services and thus closed the largest, most enthusiastic and enjoyable convention ever held here.

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MCDONALD-CHAPMAN. June 30, by Rev. A. A. Shrope McDonald, of Upper Hants Co., and Jeneva Josep of Waverly, Mass.

ROACH-GROGAN. In church, North Kingston, by Rev. J. S. Coffin, Ashby chant, and Lila L., dau Grogan, of North Kingston

McELHINNEY-SOMERV. Baptist parsonage, Floren July 7th, by Rev. A. H. Ha McElhinney, of Argyle, Ab A., daughter of Thomas So Bigger Ridge.

CONNORS-DOAK. At the David Ward, Blisfield, July M. P. King, Jas. R. Connors to Dora Doak of Blisfield.

WYNACHT-WRAGLE. A N. S., on the 8th inst., by H. A. B., Allen Wynach Wrangle, both of Camperdown Co., N. S.

DEATHS.

KINNEY. At Spragues Mi Co., Me., July 4th, of consum M., aged 23 years, daughter and the late Lavin Kinney, Co.