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Personal.

Rev. A. C. Archibald, pastor of the First Baptist church at Hutchinson, Kan., has been invited to preach the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the College in that city. Mr. Archibald, after a pastorate of two years in which upwards of 200 have been added to the church, has just resigned in order to take his remaining year at Newton.

We were pleased to have a call last week from Rev. O. P. Brown, of Mangerville. Mr. Brown has an extensive field, which makes large demands on the energies of a strong man. We are pleased to know that he is meeting with encouragement in his work.

Rev. E. N. Archibald is somewhat improved in health after a year's residence at Melvern Square. He has removed to Wolfville where he will reside, in the hope of fully regaining health.

Naval Instead of Military.

Following the announcement recently that extensive works were to be constructed in Halifax this summer, comes a report on what is considered excellent authority, that Halifax will soon cease to be a military station, and that it will pass into the hands of the admiralty. Halifax has been a military station since 1749, but every indication seems now to point to it soon being under the command of the admiralty. In fact, it is given out that the matter has already been settled as between the War office and the admiralty. It is proposed to make Halifax one of the greatest naval stations in the world, and in addition to the men of the fleet there will be a reserve consisting of from 1,500 to 2,000 sailors and marines, of which 600 will be marine artillery. This naval reserve force will be always retained here. According to information received, the Royal Engineers will be detained there, and will continue in charge of the submarine department. The Royal Marine Artillery, belonging to the reserve force, will be required to man the forts, and will, when considered necessary, be assisted by sailors, as it is known that none can handle the big guns better than the "jacks," as recently proven at the siege of Ladysmith. It is proposed to station in Halifax what is known as a royal garrison regiment. This will be recruited from time-expired men, who will be required to serve four years before going on the regular reserve. The garrison will be subject to orders from the admiralty, and the admiral will take the place of the general here. The same will apply to Bermuda.

A unique map of the province of Quebec is being prepared for the Pan-American Exposition. One of the interesting features of the work will be the indication on the map of the various water falls in which the province abounds. The points will not be marked for the benefit of romantic scenery worshippers, but rather for manufacturers who may desire to use the water power for the generation of electricity to be used in the forms of light and power.

Notices.

Digby District Meeting.

The next session of the Digby District Meeting will be held with the Weymouth church on Monday evening and Tuesday, May 20th and 21st. An interesting programme is being arranged. The churches are urged to appoint delegates who will attend. F. H. BRALS, Sec'y.
Digby, April 30th.

The next session of the Yarmouth county Quarterly Meeting will be held with the church at Argyle, May 27th and 28th. Missionaries L. D. Morse and wife will be present and give addresses; Mrs. Morse at the county W. M. A. S. meeting Tuesday afternoon, and Bro. Morse at the Tuesday evening session. Let every Baptist church in the county be well represented at this session. Offerings for Twentieth Century Fund. A good programme is in course of preparation. W. F. PARKER, Sec'y.
Yarmouth, N. S., May 3rd.

The N. S. Central Association will hold its annual meeting with the Baptist church in Dartmouth, commencing Friday, June 21st at 2 p. m. Further notices will be given later on.

S. B. KEMPTON, Moderator.
Dartmouth, April 24th.

The next annual session of the N. S. Central Association will be held with the Dartmouth church, June 21, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

H. B. SMITH, Assistant Clerk.

The New Brunswick Western Association will convene with the Lower Newcastle Baptist church, Queens county, June 28, at 2.30 p. m. All the churches are urgently requested to be particular in filling out the statistical part of their letters.

C. N. BARTON, Clerk.

The Cumberland County Conference convenes with the Springhill Baptist church on May 14th. Pastors have been requested to prepare papers on the following subjects: Dr. D. A. Steele, The Baptist Pastorate of to-day; Rev. J. M. Parker, Sunday School Work; Rev. P. D. Nowlan, How I conduct a prayer meeting; Rev. A. F. Baker, Evangelistic Work; Rev. O. E. Steeves, Foreign Missions; Bro. Huntley, Home Missions; Rev. D. H. McQuarrie, Educational Work. It is earnestly hoped that not only a large number of pastors be present on this occasion, but also a large representation of the laymen from the various churches. We need your help and counsel. A. F. BAKER, Sec'y.

The Westmorland Quarterly Meeting will convene with the Port Elgin Baptist church on Tuesday the 14th, at three o'clock in the afternoon of that day at the Baptist church in Port Elgin, Westmorland county. All churches in the N. B. Eastern Association, not included in the Albert County Quarterly Meeting, are requested to send five lay delegates. All Baptist ministers and students, within the said limits whether in charge of a church or not, are also requested to attend.

By order,
F. W. EMMERSON, Clerk.
Sackville, April 19th, 1901.

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