

From the Churches.

Denominational Funds.

Fifteen thousand dollars wanted from the churches. Nova Scotia during the present Convention year. All contributions, whether for division according to the scale, or for any one of the seven objects, should be sent to A. Cohoon, Treasurer, Wolfville, N.S. Envelopes for gathering these funds can be obtained free on application.

The Treasurer for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, to whom all contributions from the churches should be sent, is Rev. J. W. MANNING, ST. JOHN, N. B.

ST. GEORGE.—Special services are now being held here, the church is much revived. Some are professing conversion. Wanderers are returning, and although much sickness is prevailing the services are well attended. A visiting lay brother and a good sister from abroad who is over eighty-two years of age, are rendering valuable aid, and many in the church are coming up nobly to the help of the Lord. PASTOR.

CLEMENTSPORT, N. S.—Evangelist C. W. Walden has returned from Ontario by urgent request from Pastor Fisher of Clementsport, N. S., to take up the work among our churches in Digby and Annapolis Counties. He enters the work at Bear River, where he assists Pastor Porter in a series of special services. He is admirably qualified for the work among our churches, and it is hoped he may confine his labors here for some time. Enquiries from pastors or churches may be made to Pastor Fisher of Clementsport, Robinson of Antigonish, Kinley of Homeville, or Peters of Bear River. Mr. Walden has left large openings in Ontario to undertake the work in the Provinces.

WELDON, ALBERT CO., N. B.—We closed the special work with this good people last week. The meetings were largely attended throughout. The church apparently was nicely revived. As reported before 5 were baptized, 3 more are awaiting and others expressed a desire to serve the Lord. They are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their new pastor. He will baptize those received and we hope others with them and have the pleasure of extending the hand of fellowship to all. I wish to acknowledge the kindness and generosity of the people at Weldon. The pay part was never mentioned but they gave in offerings \$14.25, private donations \$1.50 and near the close of the services they gave the humble servant a happy surprise of \$18 in cash. Many useful articles were also received at different times. To God be the glory and may his blessing be upon this people and the good work go on under the new pastor in my prayer and desire. BRAMAN.

SECOND FALLS CHARLOTTE CO., N. B.—This village is situated eight miles from the town of St. George. About half a century ago a number of the members of the St. George's were dismissed to form a new church at Second Falls, then a large milling village. For a time the congregations were large, but after the mills closed a great many of the people removed, quite a colony going to the State of Wisconsin. Those left behind have kept up the interest, and from time to time there have been accessions to the church. A W. M. A. Society keeps the missionary spirit alive in the church, and recently some special services were held which have resulted in good, some professing to have found Christ and others are seriously considering the greatest of all questions. Death has removed some of our most faithful workers to a higher service, but others remain to carry on the work.

BARRINGTON AND WOOD'S HARBOR.—Two months ago we took our leave of the Barrington and Wood's Harbor group of churches, after spending three years of hard and continuous labor, owing to the extent of the field. Although we did not experience the blessing we hoped for, in seeing souls brought into the fold, yet, these were years of labor not spent in vain. Some tokens of divine favor were received; for which we were thankful. We were also grateful to kind friends for help and sympathy. We will always remember the faithfulness and earnest attention of the people of this field in financial matters. Our salaries with all necessary expenses of the church, paid promptly. No subscription papers being circulated. The benevolent objects of our denomination were not neglected, but well attended to. Truly, we never met a better people financially. May the Lord of the harvest direct

the right man to this field of labor. May the churches on the field, arise and build a home for such a man. S. LANGILLE.

TANCOOK, N. S.—Rev. Jas. A. Porter writes that after spending a part of the summer preaching in different parts of New Brunswick, and two Sundays in November at Granville Mountain, N. S., he visited Tancook Island about the first of December and received a call to the pastorate of the church, and after a week or two of prayerful consideration I believe the Lord led me to a wise decision, in that I accepted the call of the church, and I am now getting well into the work and enjoy it very much, my lot never was cast among a more kind, warmer hearted people than I find these people to be, I can say with one of old, the lines have fallen to me in pleasant places, yea I have a goodly heritage. The outlook for success in labor here is very encouraging, the congregations are large and very much interested in the services. I doubt whether the congregations are larger in any of our churches outside of the cities than they are at Tancook. We are just beginning special work, and pray that blessed results may follow. Brethren pray for us. Yours in the good work. JAS. A. PORTER.

GERMAIN ST.—The annual business meeting of Germain St. Baptist church was held Tuesday evening, 14th inst. There was a large and representative attendance of members of the church and congregation over which the pastor, Rev. J. D. Freeman, presided with D. Hunt acting as secretary. Reports of the past year from the various branches of church work were presented showing every department to be in a prosperous condition. The report of the treasurer, Bro. S. McDiarmid, set forth that the receipts for the year 1901 were \$6336.00 and the expenditure \$6.08.60. The amount raised for benevolent and denominational purposes was about \$250. Repairs had to be made upon the church which have been on an extensive and costly scale, and have made additional burdens to be met. The outlay in repairs was \$2700, of which \$700 has already been paid and nearly the same amount raised by pledges and guarantees. The church membership is now 559. The names of those who died during the year are Mrs. Emma Johnson, Mrs. Susan Johnson and also Deacon J. H. Harding, who had for so many years faithfully and lovingly served the church and who ever took a deep interest in all Christian work. Many regrets were expressed at the resignation of the treasurer, Bro. Silas McDiarmid, who has so acceptably filled that position for nine years. A hearty vote of thanks was passed and tendered to him by the chairman in an appreciative and sympathetic manner. Votes of thanks were also tendered to Bro. D. Hunt, the retiring church clerk, and also to Bro. D. F. Brown for so faithfully superintending the repairs on the church during the past year. The New Year has begun with many signs of encouragement. The outlook for Germain St. church for 1902, under the leadership of our beloved pastor, Brother Freeman, with a united body of church workers, is bright. May our heavenly Father richly bless this little corner of Christ's heritage. T. H. BELVIA, Church Clerk.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 18th.

PORT MORIEN GROUP, C. B.—In June last, through the Sec'y. of the Home Mission Board I came to this field, and agreed with the churches to enter upon the work here. Our membership and congregations in Port Morien and Homeville have been greatly decreased by removals. In Morien particularly, our cause is much weakened. Here we have a valuable church property but now in great need of repairs. About twenty resident church members, and about fifteen non-resident members. A united and earnest effort on the part of our people here is needed to give the interest new life. We are hopeful for the future of the town and of our church. In Mira Bay and Homeville we have an enterprising and loyal people. Our mission at Louisbourg was report progress. On Nov. the 11th, Miss Harrington of Sydney made us a visit and organized an Aid Society of four members which is growing and will give a good report of itself in the future. A subscription list for the pastor's salary is also being circulated. The greatest hindrance to our work here is the want of a house of worship. We hope to commence to build in the early spring. A subscription list circulated in Louisbourg for

this object has now about \$200 upon it, Bro. Archibald of Glace Bay, has about \$260 more in sight for us, and the ladies are working in a Sewing Circle for the same object. We expect to succeed. The constant kindness of our people since coming to Cape Breton has been very encouraging, but their thoughtfulness during the Christmas holidays has been excellent. On the Mira Christmas tree there was a purse for the pastor and presents for Mrs. Kinley and our family. A donation party which was hindered by a storm on the 30th ult., was made a complete success on the 6th inst., by the friends of Mira and Homeville meeting at our house and making us some \$50 better off by their visit, mostly in cash. We are thankful to our dear people for their visit. Donations are a good old fashion, hope the churches will keep them in style. R. B. KINLEY.

DAWSON SETTLEMENT, ALBERT CO.—For some weeks I have been assisting Bro. A. A. Rutledge on this field. At Baltimore the church was revived and eight were baptized. At Caledonia ten professed conversion and some 200 were members of the church but were not on speaking terms were able to strike hands and we trust hearts and are now working together for the glory of God. Two young men were ordained as deacons. Here we are in the midst of a gracious revival I shall remain here this week. The pastor will continue the meetings. Bro. Rutledge is a true yoke fellow. It has been a pleasure to labor with him he is doing excellent work on this field and is highly appreciated. J. A. MARPLE.

SURREY AND ALBERT MINES, N. B.—The friends of Surrey and Albert Mines have been manifesting a very generous spirit to their pastor. These people unitedly have given me a beautiful sleigh, a fine buffalo robe, a nice set of harness and a sum of money amounting in all to \$156. On Monday evening last the parsonage was filled with our friends. Deacon Barnett on behalf of the people made some very kind and inspiring remarks, which were responded to by the pastor, who expressed his grateful thanks to the kind friends. "The lines have fallen to us in pleasant places."

PASTOR MILTON ADDISON.

Surrey, N. B., Jan. 18th, 1902.

BELLISLE STATION, KINGS COUNTY, N. B.—It may not be generally known that the 3rd Springfield Baptist church and all the churches in this circuit are without pastoral care except Collins which is supplied from Sussex. We hope that some one will be sent to care for these churches. We of this church have the outside of our house finished at a cost of about \$500, and are endeavoring to pay as we build and we have paid all our bills save about sixty dollars. We have not yet received any aid from other churches. We were told that if we made an effort in earnest to build, we would receive help. If that aid comes as we expect, we will go on and finish the house and have it ready to worship in by fall. We are only a few in number and without a pastor, but hope our Baptist friends that can help will do so now. Our Sunday School held its annual concert and Christmas tree on the 6th inst. There was a well laden tree with presents for over fifty scholars. As in the past the concert was a success. As we have no proper place to hold our school in winter we have to close until the last of April, but hope to be able to have an evergreen school when we get our house finished. Yours, MARTIN W. FREEZE, Deacon.

ST. STEPHEN, N. B.—Our annual roll-call and social gathering were of universal interest, instead of having both services on one evening we held the roll-call on Sunday evening, Dec. 29th. Although the weather was very stormy the church was well filled. After the very appropriate and helpful address by the pastor, the clerk presented his report giving a brief outline of the history of the church making special reference to the late Dr. Hopper, the first pastor with his little flock of seventeen, which number has, during the past 33 years, notwithstanding the removal of a great many, increased to 250. When the roll was called one hundred and forty-six responded to their names. At the close a most blessed season of communion around the Lord's table was enjoyed by one of the largest number ever present. Thursday evening, Jan. 2nd, 1902, will long be remembered by all who were present. Most pleasing reports were made by the financial secretary and treasurer, the church having raised for all purposes

\$2,608.94. The reports of the different branches show that good work has been done during the past year. Mrs. J. B. Robinson gave us a very nice report concerning the W. M. A. S. making kind reference to its 1st president, Mrs. J. W. Manning, and other faithful workers in this most worthy enterprise of the church. In connection with this branch we have a splendid mission band of 70 little ones under the leadership of Miss Rita DeWolfe. Rev. Dr. Padelford of the 2nd Baptist church, Calais, Me., being present, extended greetings from that church, speaking kind words of our pastor as a fellow-minister of the gospel. However the most interesting and pleasing feature of the meeting was when Bro. Murray, chairman of the Board of Trustees, stepped upon the platform and presented the pastor with a fur-lined coat, fur cap, and fur-lined gloves and in doing so referred to the warm heart of the pastor bound to a kind and warm-hearted people the cool head with the cooperative brain, planning for the best interests of the church, giving a literary finish to the stimulating and soul-stirring sermons, the warm clasp of the hand which means so much to us at all times. It was a complete surprise to the pastor having had not the least intimation. After his fitting reply for the generous gift and the kindness shown to him by the people there came another genuine surprise, when Bro. Craig stepped forward and presented the writer with a fountain pen and a complimentary address. It is needless to mention the heartfelt appreciation of the motif that prompted such thoughtful kindness. The audience then adjourned to the vestry, where the good things prepared by the good sisters were enjoyed. C. A. LAUBMAN, Clerk.

Queens Co., N. B., Quarterly Meeting.

This Quarterly Meeting met with the Mill Cove Baptist Church commencing Jan. 10th. The ministers present beside other delegates were Revs. R. Barry Smith, W. J. Gordon, W. A. J. Bleakney, E. H. Ganong and J. Coombs.

On the evening of Friday, the Secretary referring to the New Year, spoke, taking for his text, "For ye have not passed this way heretofore." He was followed in earnest exhortations by Bros. Smith and Bleakney.

Saturday morning was given to the business of the Quarterly. A committee of arrangements for the present meeting was appointed. R. Barry Smith gave notice that at the next session of the Quarterly Meeting he would move the following resolution: "That the next and subsequent sessions of the Quarterly Meetings commence on Tuesday and end on Friday not continuing through the Lord's day." A committee composed of Bros. Smith, Gordon and C. Price, was appointed to prepare a programme for the next quarterly. The invitation of the Lower Wickham Baptist Church, McDonald's Point, to hold the next Quarterly Meeting with it was accepted.

On Saturday afternoon the regular conference meeting of the Quarterly was held. A goodly number took part and it was a season of blessing. The evening of the same day was devoted to home missions and temperance. Addresses were given on the first named subject by J. Coombs and W. A. J. Bleakney, and on the second by C. Pierce, R. Barry Smith, Rev. Mr. Wason, Methodist, E. H. Ganong and Hon F. P. Ferris.

A prayer meeting was held on Sabbath morning, led by the chairman of the Quarterly, Bro. J. D. Colwell. At 11 the Quarterly sermon was preached by E. H. Ganong, and at 3 o'clock a Sabbath school service was held. Addresses were given on Sunday School work by R. Barry Smith, the Secretary, J. D. Colwell, E. H. Ganong and Thomas Thorne. On the evening of the same day, a social service was held which was largely attended and deeply spiritual.

A vote of thanks to the church and people of Mill Cove for their kindness to the delegates was adopted. "God be with you till we meet again" was sung, the benediction pronounced and thus closed one of the best of our Quarterly Meetings.

The offer g was seven dollars. Art. 6 of the constitution of the Quarterly says, "The collections taken at the Quarterly Meeting shall be equally divided between the objects of the N. B. Convention and Foreign Missions." Jan. 17th. J. COOMBS, Sec'y.

Three miners suffered terribly and a fourth died from exposure in the mountains of the Slokan, B. C. district. They were on the road to their camp and missed their way. Their names are Wall, Stevens, Thomas and Rochaway, the last one of whom is dead.