

—In the training-school of the American Board at Kioto, Japan, there are now five hundred and fifty students, sixty-four of whom are in the theological department.

—Bishop Warren saw in Shanghai a tower eighteen feet in diameter in which the bodies of murdered babies were piled up eight feet high. This is an illustration of the morals of heathenism.

—China is just beginning to feel the real power of the gospel. The number of converts has doubled in the last ten years, and the missionary work has grown in that time more than in the previous thirty years.

—At Banza Manteke, on the Congo River, west Africa, where two years ago there were only seven or eight Christians, there is now a church of more than two hundred members. Several hundred others are believed to have been converted to Christianity; but the missionary is instructing them carefully before receiving them into the church.

—The Hakka, or highland people of Kwangtung province, China, furnish more literary men to the National Academy than any other class. They are the only people in southern China who do not bind the feet of their women, and their character is vigorous and independent. The American Baptist Missionary Union has a mission a few years old among this interesting people.

—John Williams was murdered in the island of Erromanga. The present missionary, the Rev. H. Robertson, has just returned to it; and for welcome, mothers carried their children twenty miles. He received a present of a ton and a half of yams and twelve hogs. There were 37 baptisms, and over 600 natives attended a service held by the large rock where William's dead body was laid.

—The importance of medical knowledge and skill as an aid to Missionary work can hardly be over-estimated. It is a most hopeful sign to see the increased number of medical missionaries in heathen lands. In China there are among the different Protestant denominations seventy-nine persons, who devote themselves chiefly to medical work. Twenty-seven are women. There has been issued by their Medical Missionary Association the first number of a medical journal, whose columns contain valuable papers from native and foreign physicians of high standing. The articles by the Chinese doctors—themselves Christians—in the Chinese language will have a wide influence among their countrymen in removing the prejudices against foreign physicians.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

REV. J. E. REUD still continues quite ill. It is several days since we had direct word of his condition, but when we heard last he was not much, if any, better. We trust prayer will be made for him that his health may be restored.

PORT LA TOUR, N. S.—Some special meetings are being held at Port La Tour by the pastor, Rev. T. H. Siddall. The church is being helped.

REV. T. O. DEWITT was in town one day last week. He says the work at McAdam is encouraging. He left Rev. H. Hartt there, but has before this returned to help him.

He has been recently to Little Lake, S. Co., and on two occasions administered baptism, eight in all, having been baptized. The work has chiefly been done by Bro. S. Golding, a member of the Tracey church who lives at Little Lake.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.—Permit me space in your paper to express my thanks to the people of this place (Beaver Harbour) for a donation visit which they made us on Wednesday evening 21st inst. The sisters furnished an splendid tea of which all partook. We were made better off by \$12.35 in cash, and other goods beside. No doubt there would have been many more present had it not been for the heavy storm that day. My health is improving slowly.

JOHN A. ROBERTSON.

SHAG HARBOR, N. S.—Permit me through your columns to say we have had a good work of grace at Shag Harbor. About fifty have started to live for Christ, from the man of 60 years to the child of twelve. Towards the last of the meetings I was assisted by Rev. Mr. Borden, (Methodist), he did good work for the Master. Eight have united with the Methodist church, twenty-four have united with the F. B. Church. More will find a home in one of the churches soon.

W. MILLER.

WICKHAM, Q. Co.—Permit me to say that Rev. O. N. Mott held a few special meetings at Heustis' Landing,

Wickham, in which he was assisted by Rev. J. Wetmore (Baptist). The meetings were powerful; wanderers were drawn home and sinners came to Christ for pardon. Eight were baptized.

Bro. Mott then went to the 4th Wickham Church and is now holding meetings there, much good has been done through his labours. On Sunday 25th he baptized three converts, and the same evening ten were added to the church. We hope much more good may be done.

G. N. CLARK.

March 28th, 1888.

BARRINGTON, N. S.—The Free Baptists and Baptists of Barrington have had some union meetings; in two or three services all the denominations in the place participated. The effect has been excellent. Our own church—Rev. T. H. Siddall, pastor has been quickened and blessed. Eight have been baptized and united with the church.

A young people's prayer and social meeting was organized last week. Sister Louisa Hopkins was appointed President, and Sister Annie Crowell, Secretary. They had a good meeting; all were interested and blessed.

DUMFRIES, YORK CO.—I commenced special meetings at Dumfries last week, but the roads were in such a bad condition that I only had three meetings. This week I held only one service. The bad state of the roads and the dangerous condition of the river, will prevent me having any more special meetings for the present, but, thank the Lord, the faithful few of christian workers were encouraged and backsliders reclaimed, and I believe the unconverted were awakened. The church was crowded at nearly all the meetings. The churches of this pastorate are all in a good condition spiritually. We are looking to the Lord for help and trust His blessing may be upon us.

GIDEON SWIM.

March 29th.

DONATION.—Tuesday evening the 27th inst., a number of the friends of the Rev. Gideon Swim from Queensbury, Dumfries, Kingsclear and of Prince Wm., met at the residence of Mr. J. W. Smith for the purpose of making a donation to the Rev. gentleman. Although the crossing of the river was bad and the weather threatening, a large number was present and spent a very pleasant evening. After partaking of an excellent tea, which had been provided for by the ladies present, the meeting was called to order by the election of Mr. E. D. Estabrooks, chairman and Dr. Mott, secretary. In a short time the sum of \$53.00 in cash and \$4.00 in goods were handed in, which were presented to Rev. Mr. Swim by the chairman. In reply Mr. Swim feelingly thanked the donors for their generous gift. The remainder of the evening was spent in social converse &c., after which the company retired to their homes, feeling that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

J. R. V.

Mar. 29th.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.—Permit me through your columns, at this late date, to thank the kind friends of Cheggogin, whose February call be tokened a kind interest in our welfare. We remember with pleasure new acquaintance made, additions to our hards and pocket, and also a handsome autograph quilt, which is especially worthy of mention from a feminine standpoint. This will be the crowning glory of our prophets' chamber.

Just a month later our friends of Yarmouth gave us another pleasant surprise. An elegant piece of furniture arriving in the afternoon warned us of something unusual, which was followed in the evening by a visit from nearly fifty of the congregation. After social chat and song we were presented with a basket full of strange but welcome fruit. A number of appropriate addresses were made, and a brief prayer concluded an interesting and memorable evening. The fact that some of those present were about to go abroad for a season gave a particular interest to the occasion. On taking stock we found ourselves enriched financially about sixty dollars, which we accepted as another token of the good will of this people towards its pastor and his family.

MRS. EDWIN CROWELL.

HOME MISSION REPORT.—To the Corresponding Sec. of Home Mission Society.

DEAR BRO. REUD:—Since my last report (Feb 25th) I have continued labours with the church at Lower Perth with encouraging results. February 26th I baptized two, and March 4th five. Many others were deeply convicted, and of the meetings held each evening, were of continually growing interest. The services of Sabbath, March 4th, were of unusual

strength and blessing; scores of spiritual thrilling testimonies from young converts and old pilgrims, were given, concerning the willingness and power of Christ to save, and keep. A spirit of deep solemnity pervaded the entire congregation. As I took my seat after speaking in the evening, such a sense of fatigue and utter prostration came over me as I do not remember ever to have experienced before; I felt that I had taxed my strength and endurance to the utmost limit, and must have a little rest or quite break down. I intimated this to the congregation; there seemed much unwillingness for me to leave, the brethren thought the work not nearly done, and a number on whose hearts conviction had fallen arose and declared their determination to give all for Christ. I consented to remain until the middle of the week, and appointed meetings for Monday evening and Tuesday and Wednesday morning and evening. I hope that by that time those who were almost persuaded would be enabled to come out and give themselves fully to Christ. The meetings were held as appointed, were largely attended and of deep religious interest, and spiritual strength. Wednesday morning I baptized five. Learning that others wished to obey the Saviour in that ordinance, who could not arrange to do so on Wednesday, I consented to remain another Sabbath. On the 11th I preached morning and evening and baptized three others, making in all at Lower Perth twenty baptized and an addition to the church of twenty five.

One of the pleasing features of the work, both here and at Perth Centre, was that so many heads of families, men and women of mature age, who had for years stood out against the claims of God, have in this revival decided to give the residue of their lives to Christ. In the two places no less than twenty three heads of families, six of them ranging in age from sixty four to seventy six years, were brought into fellowship with the saviour; six husbands, and their wives dedicated themselves to him in baptism. When I know from observation and experience how rare a thing it is for those, who have, for so many years slighted gospel privileges, and grieved the spirit, to give themselves to Christ, the results here are the more gratifying.

Two promising young men from River De Chute, (five miles below, on the western side of the river) were among the converts baptized; they were very anxious for me to hold some meetings in that place. Some of the brethren from Bath (about twelve miles below) wished me to extend my labour to them, but as in my present physical condition it was impossible for me to respond to their earnest invitation for extended labour, I resolved to give them a sermon each on my way down, which I did, preaching at River De Chute on Tuesday and at Bath on Wednesday evening. I could not be impressed, from the attendance and interest in these services, that, in both places, the labours of an earnest husbandman would be speedily rewarded with a good ingathering. Passing through Hartland, at the solicitation of some of the brethren there I left an appointment for Sabbath morning last, and it was to me a season of great comfort to greet so many old time friends, and preach to them the word of life. I am (D. V.) to preach to them again next Sabbath morning. I am, as you see by my address in this report—at Middle Simonds, taking a few days of much needed rest at the pleasant home of my son-in-law, W. N. Raymond, and am, at this writing, feelingly grateful for it.

When I remember that I have crowded into the past few months as much pulpit labour as I would expend in a regular pastorate for a year, every night, with but few exceptions, in the meeting house, not to mention day meetings, funeral services, house to house visitation, &c. &c. I am deeply grateful that the Lord has kept me in such vigorous health and permitted me the supreme enjoyment of such protracted work for Him.

The only one of our ministers I met during my mission was Bro. C. Rideout, whose timely visit and earnest spiritual help, I highly appreciated. Bro. J. J. Barnes gave me a call yesterday; he was on his way to Victoria County. I earnestly pray he may find a large place in the hearts of the people, and supply as far as one man can their need of ministerial care.

The collections and contributions to the mission fund during the entire mission were \$119.36.

Yours fraternally,

J. T. PARSONS.

Middle Simonds, March 24th, 1888.

DR. SOMERVILLE, of the Scottish Free Church, has spent five months in evangelizing work in Austro-Hungary, and has preached in about fifty towns and cities. Many obstacles were encountered, but many encouragements were met with. Among the latter was the permission granted by the authorities to hold public religious meetings for Jews and Gentiles (a decided innovation), the heartiness of reception and co-operation on the part of the people in multitudes to hear the Gospel, the readiness with which the Jews came out to listen to a Christian Gentle, and the general stirring in the towns where the mission was carried on. On one occasion Dr. Somerville addressed an audience of 7,000. In many of the towns in Hungary there is but a single congregation of the Reformed Church, embracing 15,000 or 20,000 members. As to the Jews, not only did they attend the ordinary public meetings, but, when on several occasions Dr. Somerville gave a public address, especially to themselves, they came together in crowds, both men and women, even to the number of 1,500. Instead of referring to controversial points, Dr. Somerville adopted the plan of showing how much Christianity owed to the Jews, and having gained the ear and hearts of his audience he then set forth Christ as the crucified Messiah.

P. O.—Rev. C. F. Rideout has moved to Upper Wicklow, C. Co., which is now his P. O. address.

CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS.—The year books of the Congregational denomination give the statistics as per following summary: England and Wales, 4,504 churches; in Scotland, 102; Ireland and the Channel Islands, 40; Australia and New Zealand, 224; British North America, 124; West Indies, Central and South America, 70; United States, 4,311; Sweden and Norway, 400; France and sundry European countries not already named, 75; Madagascar, 1,100; Sandwich Islands, 57; connected with the London Missionary Society and American board, 835; churches not classified, 200. Total, 12,042. The above-named are the regular evangelical churches of the Congregational name, and do not include other bodies which have adopted the Congregational system of church government. The growth of the regular Congregational denomination is given as follows: In the year 1582, one church in London (under pastoral care of Rev. Robert Browne); 5 in 1606; 2 in 1619; 10 in 1630; 120 in 1645; 200 in 1658; about 2,000 in 1800; about 6,000 in 1860; 7,184 in 1870; 8,952 in 1880; 12,042 in 1887. Although each local church is independent, these churches are associated in councils, unions and conferences for mutual co-operation, the three largest being the Congregational Union of England and Wales, the National Council of Congregational churches of the United States, and the Union of Madagascar.

A "DOLL DOCTOR."—Frau Emma Friederike Schneider, who lately died at Leipzig, was the most famous "doll doctor" in the world. For more than fifty years, ever since the death of her husband and child, this quaint little dowerly woman had devoted herself to the repairing of dolls, in which she attained incredible skill. A visit to her workshop was one of the sights. No one could sit down. Chairs, tables and floor were covered with crippled dolls, in every stage of dilapidation. All these Frau Schneider turned out as good as new, to the great delight of their young owners.

THE DYING THIEF.—It is never safe to make any exception a rule of conduct. One of the best illustrations of this fact was given by Rev. Dr. Lorimer, during the Minneapolis meetings, in a little dialogue, which, if not verbatim, is certainly suggestive. Talking with a man who had professed to be converted, a minister said, "Have you joined the church?" "No; the dying thief did not join the church, and he went to heaven." "Have you talked to your neighbors?" "No; the dying thief did not talk to his neighbors, and he went to heaven." "Have you given anything to missions?" "No; the dying thief never gave anything, and he went to heaven." "Well, my friend, it seems to me the difference is that he was a dying thief, and you are a living thief."

Bismarck was 73 years old last Thursday.

BAPTISM.—Four converts were baptized in the Baptist Church in this city last Sabbath.

Literary Notes.

Harper Magazine for April is full of interesting and instructive matter in type and illustrations.

The opening article is about Algiers, its people, its climate, and its customs. "Japanese Ivory Carvings," contains a full description of art expressed in ivory by clever Japanese artists.

Ivory carving had its rise in the demand of the tobacco smoker for delicate instruments to minister to his vice. The article is illustrated.

Charles Dudley Warner gives his impressions of Minnesota and Wisconsin in his second article on the Great West. The beauties of St. Paul, Milwaukee, and Madison receive due notice, and the progress in the science of farming is dwelt upon at length.

Denominational Notices.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.
Rev. W. H. Bernhard, 50
Church Corn Hill, 6 25
Geo. Stickney, Esq., 5 00
W. H. VanWart in last week's list, should have been Geo H VanWart.

WM. PETERS, Treas.

Note. It is hoped that the churches will not fail to send in their quarterly collections to enable treasurers to make next remittance promptly.

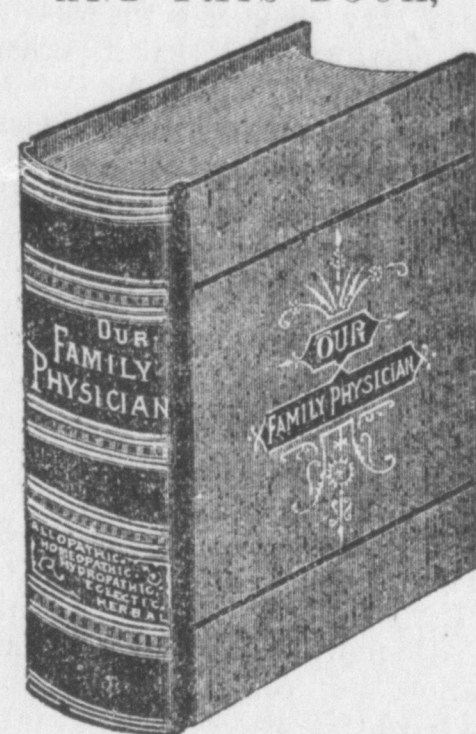
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John Hays, Credit P. O., says: "His shoulder was so lame for nine months that he could not raise his hand to his head, but by the use of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil the pain and lameness disappeared, and although three months have elapsed, he has not had an attack of it since."

Marriages.

SCHROEDER-RICE.—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. J. H. Erb, assisted by the Rev. H. H. Cosman, Mr. Christopher C. Schroeder, of San Antonio, Texas, to Miss Alice Rice, of the same place.

SIMPSON-GRANT.—On the 28th inst., by Rev. C. T. Phillips, Aaron E. Simpson, of the N. E. R., and Maud Grant of Woodstock.

Deaths.

NICKERSON.—At Shag Harbor, March 20th, Joshua Nickerson, aged 87 years, leaving an aged partner, 2 children, 2 grand-children and 3 great-grand-children. In his last days his suffering was very severe, which he bore with christian resignation sustained by grace divine, which gave him the hope of soon entering the rest where he would be free from all pain.—W. MILLER.

SMITH.—At Shannon Settlement, Q. Co., Robert Smith, after suffering several years with consumption. Bro. Smith was born November 1st, 1820, baptized in 1840, and died December 23rd, 1887. He united with the F. C. Baptist church, and was highly esteemed by all who were acquainted with his christian character. He leaves a widow several children, a number of friends and with the church to mourn their loss. His end was peace.

KENDRICK.—At Shag Harbor, March 13th, Elizabeth, widow of the late Judah Kendrick, aged 87 years, leaving five daughters and one son to mourn their loss, which is her gain.

Public Notice.

MAIL CLOSING—CITY TIME.

ON and after Monday, the 2nd April, mails will close as follows: For St. John, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Woodstock, Grand Falls, the United States and all points west, 6.00 A. M.
For St. John, Newcastle, Chatham, Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba, etc., 11.15 A. M., also correspondence for St. Andrews, St. Stephen, Woodstock, Grand Falls, United States, and all points west will be despatched at the same hour.

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March 30, 1888.

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