

meetings during the day. The Lord's Supper was administered. The Master was present to accept from his people this offering of their hands, and to fill their hearts with joy and gladness. Removals, deaths and the like had left the church with one deacon only. Deacon Stephen Farris, had, for some time, borne the responsibilities of his office alone. Two other brethren were elected to the deaconship, and another chosen Treasurer. The offices are now well filled, and the church is in a fair way, with proper pastoral care, to increase.

On Monday evening we went to the Chocolate Cove church, where we met a large and attentive audience, to whom, once more, I had the pleasure of preaching the gospel.

For years I have greatly enjoyed occasional short trips to the island churches. The pleasure of this visit was much enhanced by seeing so many dear friends from Wilson's Beach, Campbell. A good many of them I saw come to Jesus nearly three years ago.

Deer Island is an inviting field of labour for some of our ministers who love souls and who enjoy working for the building up of the Lord's Kingdom. Bro. Robertson thinks he cannot continue with them longer than to the end of our ecclesiastical year. May the Lord direct some faithful brother to their care. They speak frequently and kindly of former pastors, while visiting ministers, such as Rev. J. W. Halse, now of Lowell, Mass., and others, whose labour God has made a blessing to them, are affectionately remembered.

In January last a church was organized at Northern Harbour, and now this new house is finished. We have three churches and three good meeting houses with a good many true and devoted people on this island of the sea. May God greatly bless them!

G. A. HARTLEY.

Carleton, Aug. 21st, '89

HALIFAX.—While poring over the pages of this week's INTELLIGENCER, the thought came to my mind, Why not write a letter, to let some of the readers of our paper know how this church is prospering? Feeling sure that there are many friends not only in Nova Scotia but in other parts who are always glad to learn of the work in this part of our beloved Zion.

It was with deep sorrow that we heard of the demise of our beloved brother in Christ, Bro. J. I. Porter, and our christian sympathies go out to the bereaved family in their mourning. We are sure his death will be deeply felt in this Conference. Although not knowing him personally, I must say that through hearing of the work he accomplished I loved him for the work's sake. I looked forward to the time when I should have the pleasure of seeing him and grasping his hand; but, disappointed now, we are assured that by and by we shall meet—never to part.

In this week's paper I see a short article concerning "summer revivals;" it did me good to read it. I am glad to be able to say that the spirit is indeed manifesting itself in this church; only last night a dear sister held up her hand for prayers; in speaking to her at the close of the meeting about her soul, her sobs could be heard all over the house; we believe she accepted Christ. The mercy-drops have indeed been falling! but our united prayers are, "Lord, send upon us showers of blessing."

On Sunday the 4th inst. the members of the "Independent Order of Odd Fellows," Manchester Unity, met at their hall, and thence to our church, where the writer conducted the service and preached from the text: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity"—Psalm 133. The church was crowded; much praise is due Mr. Thomas Phillips and his efficient choir, for the able way the singing was executed, and especially the rendering of that beautiful piece "The banner of the cross." Our congregations are still on the increase. God is indeed blessing the labors of both pastor and people. Unity reigns in the hearts of all, and where such unity does reign success is bound to be achieved. Bro. Ezra S. Parker of Kemptville, N. S. was with us, visiting some of his old friends; he preached on the evening of the 11th to a large congregation from Matthew 13:31. The sermon was good, and the friends seemed to drink in every word. We believe that should Bro. Parker's health continue to be good, that a successful future is before him. May the Head of the church use him for His glory, while he is pursuing his studies. We hope for the prayers of the brethren in our behalf.

ARTHUR G. JONES.

FROM REV. J. NOBLE.—I will continue my rambles a little further. Leaving Dutch Valley I came to Sussex, where I spent the night with Bro.

Slipp. There I met with Bro. G. A. Hartley who had made an exchange with his son who is now spending his vacation with the churches on that circuit. The next day I visited a few friends, and would have been glad to have visited more but time would not permit. The next day I got to the Narrows; left the following morning and drove up the interval. The people were busily engaged in gathering their hay which was a bountiful crop; I never saw the crops of grass and grain look better. The second night I got to Brother M. White's, after driving through a heavy shower. I remained there the next day, not feeling very well, and was kindly cared for by sister White. Saturday morning I left for Glencoe, the place I started for when I turned my face up river. About six years ago a Brother John Flewelling, his wife and mother moved to Glencoe, and commenced on a new farm. There were six families living in the place then, and none of them had professed religion. Brother Flewelling asked his neighbours if they would come to his house to a Prayer Meeting on Sunday; they did so, and in a short time one of them began to take a part with them. After a little while one after another fell in and they all got converted. Brother Knight went to see them and baptized them and formed them into a class as they supposed and has visited them since during the summer. This place is up the Nashwaak a little off the Portage road leading to the Miramichi and about ten miles from Stanley. I spent Sunday with them and had a very enjoyable time. Leaving there I went to Woodstock. I was at a prayer meeting at Millville and got to Campbell Settlement to conference meeting on Saturday and was with them on Sunday morning, and with Brother Swim in Southampton in the evening. Things look very encouraging in Southampton. Brother Swim has engaged with them, to commence after Conference. I purpose now to go to Nova Scotia the first of September to visit my daughter and family and as many old friends as I can. If any one will meet me at Kentville on Saturday the 7th of September and convey me to Hall's Harbour I will preach there Sunday morning, at Chipman Brook in the afternoon at three o'clock, and at Black Rock in the evening at 7. I will be there on the train from Windsor to Annapolis.

J. NOBLE.

REV. W. J. HALSE, a former pastor of the F. C. B. church, north end, but now stationed in Lowell, Mass., is visiting friends in the north end.—Tel.

UPPER HAMPSHIRE, Q. C.—I have just completed two months labour with the Upper Hampshire church. The condition of the church is not as we would hope for, but I trust the labour has not been in vain. I am feeling much better in health than I was at the first of the summer. I will (D. V.) return to the Divinity School at Lewiston next Monday.

C. W. ROGERS.

Aug. 22: 89.

Temperance Notes.

—At the meeting held Wednesday evening to organize against the petition for repeal of the Scott Act, in this city, an executive committee was formed consisting of Rev. Dr. McLeod, Hon. A. F. Randolph, and Messrs. E. C. Freeze, H. H. Pitts and M. Lemont. J. J. Weddall is chairman, C. A. Sampson, secretary, W. G. Clark, assistant secretary, and John Spurdun, Treasurer.

—John Jacob Astor of New York has effectively suppressed the sale of liquor by the lease of one of his buildings. The Vanderbilts, also, are reported recently to have refused a renewal of the lease of a tenant of theirs who kept a bar. The good example of such acts is worth even more to the cause of temperance than are the acts themselves.

—An old English "publican" who had grown rich on the people's vices was deprived of his license to sell liquor, and demanded compensation. A celebrated judge declared that in his opinion it was a fine case for damages, and that if the matter should come before him he would award compensation—the verdict for the publican to be five years of penal servitude.

THE SUNDAY CO. SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION will open at Oromocto, Wednesday, September 4th, at 10.30 a. m. Mrs. Crofts, of New York, one of the most successful S. S. Teachers in America, will be present, and also S. J. Parsons, of Burton, Secretary of the N. B. S. S. Association, who has lately returned from the World's S. S. Conference in London. All who are connected with Sunday Schools, as well as all others interested in the work, whether belonging to the County or not, should try and attend. All sessions will be open to the public, and all are cordially invited to attend.

THOS. L. ALEXANDER, Sec.

THE Maritime Press Association is booked to meet in New Glasgow, Sept. 11th, for a trip through Cape Breton.

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BAPTIST CONVENTION.—Our Baptist brethren have been in session in this city since Friday. The attendance of delegates and visitors is large. Friday was devoted to the Ministers' Institute, which is a new feature of the Convention. It was regularly organized this year for the first, and promises hereafter to be a very interesting part of the Convention. A paper was read by Rev. Mr. Cline on the Old Testament revision, and one by Rev. B. F. Simpson, on the Minister's Library. Dr. Sawyer gave an address on Baptist polity. These were followed by a very general interchange of opinions, during which many questions were asked and answered.

Rev. Mr. Manning preached Friday evening.

Saturday at 10 a. m. the regular work of Convention began, Mr. H. C. Creed, President, in the chair.

E. D. King, M. A. Halifax, was elected President.

Vice President—J. W. Spurdun, Fredericton;

Second Vice President—Rev. J. A. Gordon, M. A. Charlottetown;

Secretary—Rev. Prof. Kierstead, Acadia;

Assistant Secretary—Rev. G. R. White, Yarmouth;

Treasurer—W. G. Clark, Fredericton.

The annual sermon of the Convention was preached Sabbath afternoon by Rev. Mr. Goucher. The Presbyterian, Methodist and Free Baptist churches were supplied by preachers of the Convention.

RESIGNED.—The resignation of Rev. W. J. Stewart, pastor of the Portland Baptist church, has been accepted, to take effect Sept. 15th. Bro. Stewart has done good work in Portland.

A GEORGIA newspaper tells of a pond in that State which regularly disappears every summer. "Just at this time of the year the water gradually goes down a foot. Then there is a rush of water, a tremendous roar, and within a few minutes every drop of water disappears." A similar phenomenon may be seen annually in many churches.

SPURGEON'S COLLEGE.—Of the seven hundred and ninety nine men who have been educated at Spurgeon's Pastors' College during the thirty-six years of its history, six hundred are active pastors.

We understand that Tennant, Davies & Co., on the completion of improvements, now going on in their store, intend to have a cheap sale of Dry Goods, Remnants, etc., that will eclipse anything that has taken place yet, so keep a sharp look out for announcements.

ALL SORTS.

A system of adjustable horseshoes without nails is about to be introduced into England.

Parent: "What is the difference between the regular and irregular Greek verbs?" Tommy: "You get twice as many lickings learning the irregular ones."

A boy in Meriden, Ct., broke the handle off a teacup belonging to a neighbor, and the trifle has not only made enemies of a dozen people, but led to several assault and battery cases and three lawsuits.

Woman is really at the bottom of the latest trouble between the United States and Great Britain. The chief subject of dispute in the Behring sea affair is the raw material for the seal skin saque.

Teacher: "How is Pompeii pronounced?" First Boy: "Pompey I." Teacher: "Next!" Second Boy: "Pompey-ai-ai." Teacher: "Next!" Third Boy: "Pompey." Teacher: "Next!" Fourth Boy (with ineffable scorn): "I don't pronounce it. I just say 'Herculeum'."

A Connecticut woman is suing her neighbor for damages for putting up fly screens. She claims that the flies which cannot get into the neighbor's house on this account will come to hers, and she will thereby have double the usual number.

A marriage has been celebrated in Skye without whisky! Twenty-five couples were present at the festivities and nothing stronger than tea was provided. The event is said to be unparalleled in the island.

The Swiss watchmakers have invented a watch for the blind. A small peg is set in the middle of each figure. When the hour hand is moving towards a given hour the peg for that hour drops. The person finds the peg is down, and then counts back to twelve.

Miss Flighty: "Have you decided to take any part in the discussion, 'What will we do in heaven?'" Good minister: "No, miss, I am at present much more interested in the question, 'What shall we do to get there?'"

Denominational Notices.

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DISTRICT MEETINGS.

Third District Meeting to be held with the Church at Nashwaak, on the third Wednesday in September, 1889. Ministers to attend, Revs. W. H. Perry, G. A. Hartley, C. F. Rideout, and G. F. Currie.

Fourth District Meeting to be held with the Church at Upper Gagetown, on the second Saturday in September, 1889. Ministers to attend, Revs. Dr. McLeod, G. F. Currie, J. G. McKenz, O. N. Mott, J. N. Barnes, and F. Babcock.

NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

The next annual session of the Nova Scotia Free Baptist General Conference (D. V.) will be held with the First Free Baptist Church of Barrington, Shelburne Co., beginning Thursday, September 12th, 1889, at 10 o'clock, a. m. It is very important that the officers of all the churches collect and forward the dues for the Conference fund. The money is specially needed. No church should neglect it.

J. I. PORTER, Clerk and Treasurer.

Barrington, Aug. 7th, 1889.

NOTICE.

The usual reduction of fares