back to his field cannot forget that there are families that lack cordial feeling, brethren who are estranged, and that many have little love for each other. Every member should do his part in endeavoring to make the church a real Christian society. To quote from Dr. Dale again: "You should sympathize with each other's sorrows and joys and show them sympathy. There should be a warm recognition of personal excellence, of generosity and of zeal in good works. No man in the church should ever have a sense of isolation; no man should feel that he is a stranger. When young men and women who are away from home are received into fellowship, special care should be taken that they are really received. Do not be satisfied with entering their names on the church-roll—that is not receiving them; or with telling them of a Bible-class or a young people's society of which they can become members—that is not receiving them. Receive them as you would wish your own boys and girls to be received if they were in a great city a hundred miles off among stranger's." When that grand word "fellowship" is understood and carried out in all its breadth of meaning there is immeasurable help for the pastor.

Help your pastor by endeavors to bring others to the church. If Christians realized their high calling the pastor would have but little opportunity to labor for conversions. But, alas, there are but few who are ready to make personal appeals to the unconverted. Many lack zeal and others think they lack qualifications. But all can invite others to the church services. Perhaps scarcely any reader but has some friend or neighbor whom he might approach and draw to the sanctuary. A church that would make itself into a great invitation society would be a mighty help to its pastor —*Inquirer*.

The Monthly Concert of Prayer for Missions.

When we once come to realize that modern missions originated in concerted prayer, then it will be comparatively easy to revive the monthly concert of prayer. If we are to succeed in bringing our part of India to Christ, it will be when our churches ask of God the heathen for their inheritance. It seems to me that we are more inclined to organize for success than to pray for success. In no one respect is the church more amiss in its duty to the heathen than in its prayers for the coming of the kingdom in pagan lands. Prayer always has had and always must have a large place in successful mission work. Small results in mission fields—when they are small—are largely due, I believe, to lack of prayer, concerted prayer, for the work and the workers. How rare in the majority of homes and churches are the petitions for the salvation of the heathen? How are we to remedy this? Largely, I believe by a revival of the monthly concert of prayer as a regular service, to be prepared for as carefully and prayerfully as any other service. Let us then consider the origin and nature of the monthly concert of missions."

1. The origin, I quote from "Smith's Short History of Christian Missions."

"In 1723 Robert Millar, M. A., Presbyterian minister in Paisley, published the first edition of his History of the Propagation of Christianity and the Overthrow of Paganism, a work of remarkable fervor and scholarship, in which he powerfully urged prayer as the first nine means for the conversion of the heathen world. In 1742 great revivals lighted up the west country. In these revivals, and the prayer to which they gave birth, are found the faint beginnings of the modern missionary enterprise. The time was the month of October, 1744, two years after the Cambuslang revival, when the ministers, who had themselves received new light, united for the next two years following in what they called, and what has since become familiar in America as a concert to promote more abundant application to a duty that is perpetually binding--prayer that our God's kingdom may come, joined with praises, to be offered weekly on Saturday evening and Sunday morning, and more solemnly on the first Tuesday of every quarter. Such was the result and so did the prayer concert spread in the United Kingdom that in August 1846, a memorial was sent to Boston, inviting all Christians in North America to enter into it for the next seven years. It was on this that Jonathan Edwards wrote, and his work came into the hands of Wm. Carey. In 1784, at a periodical meeting of the Northhamtonshire Association of Baptist Ministers. John Sutcliff, minister of Olney, made a motion to the ministers and messengers of the Associate Baptist churches assembled at Nottingham, respecting meetings for prayer, to earnestly implore a revival of our churches and of the general cause of our Redeemer, and for that end to wrestle with God for the diffusion of his Holy Spirit, which alone can produce the blessed effect. It was unanimously agreed to solemnly exhort all their churches to engage heartily and perseveringly in prayer to God on the first Monday of every calender month, and at the same hour. On this occasion Andrew Fuller preached his first printed sermon on 'Walking by Faith,' and soon after Sutcliff republished the work of Jonathan Edwards, 'Humble Attempt To Promote Explicit Agreement and Visible Union of God's People in Extraordinary Prayer for the Revival of Religion.' Three years before the Nottingham meeting a journeyman shoemaker joined with eight others to form what is now the Baptist church in the hamlet of Hackleton, took to himself a wife, and there preached his first sermon. A year before, he had been baptized, and in 1787 he was ordained by Andrew Fuller to the ministry at Moulton village. From the hour of his conversion and his reading 'Cook's Voyages Round the World" he was ever pondering the state of the heathen, and longing to go as a missionary to Otaheite. That shoemaker was William Carey. His meditation and self-dedication, running parallel with the people's praying and Fuller's preaching and writing resulted in modern missions.'

A few years later the American Board had its origin in a prayer-meeting under a haystack, where some Williams College students had taken refuge from a shower.

In 1886 the Students' Volunteer Movement was born in a prayer-meeting protracted till far into the night by a few students at Northfield, Mass. Now, if such grand movements have had their origin in concerted prayer, is it not reasonable to expect that concerted prayer on the part of our churches would be the beginning of better days for us at home and abroad? The denominational papers will endeavor to be helpful along the line of subjects indicated for the monthly concert. Brother ministers, will you not take hold of the matter and interest some of your young people or others to provide for such a meeting? This will give variety, and relieve you of the burden of one meeting each month.

2. The nature of the meeting. As it is a concert of prayer, the meeting should be largely given to prayer. Let this characteristic of the meeting be kept prominent. But as a stimulus to prayer it will always be profitable to have facts presented about the country that is the subject of prayer. Supposing our own field is the one It is as large as New Hampshire. It has 3,600,995 people. Hindus, Mohammedans, and demon worshipers. None of them know of a Saviour, They are groping in darkness, and weltering in sin. Our missionary force consists of but seven men and their wives and ten single women—twenty four to 3,610,995. Add 1,000,000 to the population of Massachusetts, and then give the state but seven ministers, would you think it well supplied? One man is not able to attend to the spiritual needs of 514,427 souls. Would not a consideration of these facts lead to confession of neglect that we have not more workers in the field, and to promises of better things. It will be a blessing to every church to hold the monthly concert of prayer, and it will most surely result in good to the regions beyond.—EDWIN B. STILES, *in Star*.

General Religious News.

—It is stated that forty-six Congregational churches in the state of Massachusetts received legacies last year from members who had departed this life.

—The British and Foreign Bible Society has recently forwarded to the Armenian Catholics at Etchmiadzine, in the Caucasus, a printing press to enable the priests to print for the Society the Scriptures in the modern Ararat-Armenian and the ancient Armenian.

—Mrs. Booth-Clibborn, General Booth's eldest daughter, who is in charge of the Salvation Army work in France, has led an attack on Rouen. Mr. Booth Clibborn states that on first arriving in town, nobody would let his wife have the use of a room. At length, a woman who kept a house of ill-repute offered one, and there the first meeting was successfully held, some of the women of the house becoming converts.

—Formerly a low-caste man in India on meeting a Brahman, was required to step aside out of the road or to prostrate himself in the dust. Now all this is changed, and the Brahman and the sweeper sit side by side in the crowded railway train, and they both eat their lunch in close proximity. The railway and Government schools have aided in bringing about this change, but it is more largely due to Christian influences.

—The Moravian Church is an object-lesson to all Protestant Christianity in missionary zeal and liberality. Mrs Isabella Bird Bishop is authority for the statement that the Moravians "have one missionary out of every sixty of their members. The other Churches of the United Kingdom have but one missionary out of every five thousand. Were Great Britain equally zealous and sacrificing she would have two hundred thousand toilers in the regions beyond, and spend yearly £20,000,000 in the world's evangelization, instead of the pittance of £1,500,000 which she now contributes."

—A gold mine in the mountains near Prescott, Ariz., is owned by the Salvation army, and worked by sixteen soldiers of that army; all the profits go into the treasury of the organization. The mine was discovered by [illegible] known as "Old Dick Taylor" who was found by the Salvation army while on a drunken debauch in Phœnix Ariz. He was converted at an open-air meeting, and for two months followed the army, when he suddenly disappeared. Some months later he appeared in Phœnix with a quantity of gold nuggets, announced his discovery, and proffered the mine to the army, which accepted it. Fifteen men volunteered to develop it, and have been at work under the direction of Taylor ever since. Strict religious discipline is maintained in the camp.

Home Religious News.

—Special meetings are being held in the Baptist, Methodist and Free Baptist churches in this city.

—Rev. Joseph Barker, Presbyterian has tendered his resignation as pastor at Richmond, C. Co.

—The Butternut Ridge, K. Co. Baptist church has a new pastor, Rev. Mr. MacNeill of P. E. I.

Rev. B. A. Fitzpatrick has become pastor of the Presbyterian church at Kincardine, V. Co.

—Fort Massey Presbyterian church Halifax, is liberal in its contributions. During the year $9,287 was collected, of which $4,076 was for missions and schemes of the church. Foreign missions alone received $1,615 from the church.

—The *Messenger & Visitor* publishes a statistical table, prepared by Rev. A. Cohoon, showing the contributions of the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces to the several schemes of the denomination from 1881 to 1894. It shows a quite regular and very marked advance. The sum contributed in 1894 is nearly three times that raised in 1881, and nearly double the contributions of 1884.

—Evangelistic services in St. John, conducted by two gentlemen from Ontario, Messrs. Phillipot and Fisher, are said to be well attended and of considerable interest.

—The Moncton Y. M. C. A. is making a determined effort to secure their fine stone building and place the institution on a firm financial basis. The property cost $32,000, and there is a debt against it of $25,000. It is proposed now to raise $10,000 at once and to issue debentures at say 5 per cent. for the balance of $15,000, with a sinking fund attachment. As things now are about all the revenue from the building is required to pay the interest on the mortgage, and the work is hindered by the straitened condition of the finances. Of the $10,000 required, some $4,500 has been pledged.

—New Glasgow is going to have a Y. M. C. A. building. At a meeting last week, $2,000 was subscribed towards a building fund and with $1,000 on hand previously, there is $3,000 to commence operations.

Denominational News.

GRAND MANAN.—Perhaps it is time I wrote something for the denominational news department. I regret that I have nothing very interesting to report; but I am very anxious that others who have should keep this department well filled. Write, brethren, early and often. Don't expect the editor to manufacture news.

The spiritual condition of all our churches is fairly good, though not nearly so good as we would like. I spent the week of prayer with the church at North Head; the meetings were all interesting and helpful. We are continuing meetings this week, and perhaps will continue longer. I trust we shall have an interest in the prayers of the readers of the INTELLIGENCER. I expect to hold special meetings with all of my churches during the winter.

On Jan. 6th I had the pleasure of meeting Bro. I. D. Harvey at Seal Cove; his health has much improved, he is now engaged in special work at White Head; I expect to have him to assist me in a series of meetings at Grand Harbour. Yesterday, the 13th I had Bro. H. Hartt with me in the morning and afternoon. Bro. Hartt is here on business; he is always ready to assist in his Master's business.

During the holidays Mrs. Perry and myself were thoughtfully remembered, for all of which we pray God's blessing to be upon the donors. Brother Edmond Daggett was the recipient of a fine coon skin coat a New Years present from his children. Last year they made him a present of a beautiful easy chair. Bro Daggett is to be congratulated in having such kind and thoughtful children.

W. H. PERRY.

North Head,
Jan. 14th 1895.

UPPER MILLSTREAM.—A very profitable missionary meeting was held in [illegible] at Upper Millstream on the 15th inst. The following programme was carried out:

Doxology, invocation, hymn, Scripture lesson, prayer by William Patterson; Recitation by five little children; "Waiting and praying," by Nettie McMillan; "Missionary Pennies," by Dorcey Adamson; "Going and Praying," by Sophia Finnies; "Christmas," by Hepburn Adamson; "Christmas dialogue," "Come over and help us;' Reading by Ora Keith, Miss Janie Gaunce read extracts from letters of Miss Lizzie Gaunce: "Field work in India," Fred Gaunce; Miss Alberta McMillan gave a short report of a missionary; Speeches by A. J. McPherson, W. S. Mason and Zebulon Gaunce. Collection of $3.37. The congregation sang in a very touching manner, "Jesus Lover of my Soul," and the pastor pronounced the benediction.

A. H. M.

OROMOCTO, S. Co.—The meetings are good. Young men are surrendering to God. Two were baptized last Sunday; it was a good day for us.

At the close of the evening service Mrs. Charles True, of Lincoln, and Miss Lottie Lynn of Rusiagornish, presented me, (on behalf of many friends on my field of labour), with a handsome coon coat worth $42.00, an otter cap worth $13.50, and a pair of overshoes. A. this was a surprise, and given as a token of esteem you can imagine my feelings. I wish to express my heart felt thanks to my many friends who so generously contributed toward its Word's would fail to express my appreciation of the kindness of the two sisters who took this matter in hand and with untiring zeal carried it to completion. May heaven's richest blessing be theirs to enjoy, and may the promise of God be realized in their own experience that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

Last night with the assistance of a number of the friends from Rusiagornish church, I organized an A. C. F. Society with 18 members; S. J. Perry, President; Miss Annie Kimbal, Vice president, Miss Emma Estabrooks Sect., Mrs. M. McMonegal Treas.

S. J. PERRY.

TRACEY MILLS, C. Co.—There has, of late, been a decided increase of interest in our meetings, especially among the young people. Last Saturday our regular conference was a meeting of much blessing. It was undoubtedly the most encouraging service we have held for many months. Since the first part of December we have had, beside our regular services, one special meeting a week. God has been with us, helping us and blessing our efforts with success. Last Sabbath was a good day with us. At the close of the morning service three young sisters were baptized. We are looking to God, and praying for the showers of blessing.

G. F. CURRIE.

Jan. 15th, '95.

YARMOUTH, N. S.—Rev. C. F. Cooper and wife gave a reception to the members of the F. B. church and congregation, Monday evening Jan. 14th. Tea was served at 7.30. Three long tables were spread, at which were seated about one hundred and twenty-five persons, who did ample justice to the delicacies of various kinds. After tea, and while the tables and fragments were being carried away, every member tried to see who could be the most affable. After the social intercourse, Mr. Cooper, in a neat and happy speech on behalf of Mrs. Cooper, extended a warm and hearty welcome to all present, and desired their kind attention while the following programme was carried out:

Solo by Mrs. F. Marshall; address by Deacon A. Gayton; cornet solo by A. K. Van Horne; address by Rev. A. W. Currie; duette by Maggie and Willie Jones; address by N. Jeffery; solo by A. N. Marling; address by Deacon A. Cook; harmonica solo by Master W. Jones; address by Rev. W. M. Knollin; quartette by Mrs. Marshall, N. Jeffery, C. N. Marling and A. K. Van Horne; a most inspiring address, filled with much enthusiasm by Miss E. E. Hilton; Organist, Miss Van Horne.

At the close, a hearty thanks was given by the company to Mr. and Mrs. Cooper for this kind hospitality, which afforded so many a most enjoyable evening.

A. E. V.

Are You in Arrears?

If you have got behind in your payments for the INTELLIGENCER make an effort to pay the arrears now. If you cannot pay all at once, pay part now and the balance later. *We need to have a payment from every person who owes anything.* Be fair to yourself and to us by sending it without further delay.

DEAF AND DUMB SCHOOL.—The annual meeting of the Directors of the Fredericton Institution for the Deaf and Dumb was held on Thursday last. The report of the Principal showed that there had been thirty-two pupils at the institution during the year. eighteen boys and fourteen girls. There were twenty-eight in attendance at present. The financial statement showed a balance on hand of $11. The amount received during the year was:—

Collections	$2,997
County grants	1,100
Government grant	500
Paying pupils	336

The institution has a floating indebtedness of about $1,100.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD.—Rev. T. Fenwick, Woodbridge, Ont., in a letter to a Toronto paper, says that if the published statement that Lord and Lady Aberdeen prayed beside Sir John Thompson's coffin is true, they countenanced praying for the dead, a thing the Presbyterian church, of which they are members, most strongly condemns. Continuing, Fenwick says: "Though I, too, am Scotch and Presbyterian, I say that their act deserves censure." We have no doubt a good many people wondered why the Governor General and his wife were praying beside the coffin of the late Premier.

DEPOSED.—Rev. H. W. Little, Rector of Sussex, N. B. has been tried for making and writing false statements concerning Rev. J. Roy Campbell of Dorchester. Mr. Little has been found guilty, and he is to be deposed from the ministry. It is said that he will appeal from the decision of the ecclesiastical court.

POLITICAL NEWS.—Dr. Atkinson was elected, by acclamation, last Wednesday, to represent Carleton Co. in the Local Legislature.

The Conservatives of Antigonish, N. S., have nominated J. A. Chisholm, barrister, for the vacancy in the house of commons caused by the death of Sir John Thompson, and Mr. Ernest Gregory was nominated for the local house, the vacancy caused by Mr. McIsaac's running for the Dominion Parliament.

A SOUVENIR.—A poem on Sir John Thompson by Mr. A. M. Belding, of the St. John *Sun* staff, has been much commended. It has been issued in leaflet form. An excellent portrait of the late Premier is on the front page. Lady Aberdeen, who was much pleased with it, has ordered two hundred copies. It is a neat souvenir, and will probably have a large sale. It costs 10 cents, and is for sale at the book stores.

TOO LATE.—A letter from Rev. J. B. Daggett for the Young People's department, on page six, came too late for this issue.

A VOICE FROM IOWA.—"Although the times are hard here, we cannot afford to do without the INTELLIGENCER, whose acquaintance we made from the first issue. We note with pleasure the growth and improvement made as the years go by. Long may it live and be a blessing to the homes it enters."

PERSONAL.—Hon. Mr. Laurier is reported quite ill, suffering from bronchitis.

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Marriages.

FLETCHER-TINKER.—At Campo Bello, N B., on the 14th inst., by Rev. J. B. Daggett, Mr. Blain Fletcher to Miss Aurillia Tinker. both of Campo Bello.

DUNBAR-TATTON.—At North Head, Grand Manan, Jan. 12th, by Rev. W. H. Perry, Mr. Henry Dunbar and Miss Cornnelia A. Tatton, both of North Head.

Deaths.

FAULKNER.—At the residence of Hezekia Baker, Victoria Corner, C. Co., on the 10th inst., of consumption, J. B. Faulkner, aged 22 years. He had been in failing health about a year, and was confined to his bed seven weeks, during which time he suffered much, but was very patient. He sought the Lord during his sickness and found the peace of pardon. He died trusting in Jesus. Two of his sisters were with him and kindly ministered to him during his illness. Bro. Baker and family did all they could for him, and the Lord will reward them. A mother and four sisters survive him; may they have divine comfort. By his request the writer preached at the funeral, on the 11th inst.

G. SWIM.

PRICE.—At Greenwich, K. Co., on the 14th inst., Mr. John Price, aged 90 years. He leaves two sons and one daughter, with a large number of other relatives. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, on the 16th inst, at the home of his son, Mr. John Price.

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