

Notes By the Way.

No. 3.
On Saturday morning I left Grand Harbor for White Head, six miles from the main island of Grand Manan. On my arrival I met with deacon Edward Carroll, who gave me a very hearty welcome, and on reaching his home I was gladly received by sister Carroll and family. After refreshments I began visiting the families and it was most refreshing indeed, to meet them in the evening, and at the sound of a bell that can be heard at South West Head, some 14 miles or nearly, we were called together at seven o'clock for worship. I had the privilege of speaking the word of life to a good congregation. It was a welcome meeting indeed. This church has been much blessed under the faithful labours of Rev. D. Harvey, who lives on the island. Many of the dear young people of this community have been brought to God through his ministry. He is in poor health just now; may the Lord be pleased soon to restore him fully to health again in our prayer. This church has been wonderfully blessed in its officers. May they long live. The Sabbath school is very large and well conducted under the faithful Superintendence of Bro. Sidney Gupile; it is one of the most prosperous schools I have visited, and good must be the result of their efforts.

In the year 1863 I first visited this little island. At that time, as far as I can learn, there was not a professing Christian on the island, no place of worship, no school or school house, and, as I was told, no Sabbath observance. I held a few meetings, and three persons professed faith in Christ. In the Fall of the same year, the late William Brown was sent to the island by the Seventh District Mission Board, for one month, but little apparently was done. He returned again in the month of February, and after a long and hard struggle a great victory was gained; 19 were baptized and a church was organized. In a little time a meeting house was erected, a parsonage built, and a school house, and so the people built and prospered. Soon there was a post office, and now there is a telegraph communication with the main island. Now, what has wrought all this change among this people? Has rum or infidelity? (for those things were rife on the island of Grand Manan in years gone by). What power has made this people a peaceful and law-abiding people, prosperous and happy, intelligent and good? The answer is, the gospel, the blessed gospel of Jesus Christ. They have wonderfully succeeded in resisting the various influences that have been brought against them, to make division, by their loyalty to God and the faith of the denomination with which they are connected. May the blessed Lord keep them thus faithful to the end.

After spending the Sabbath, and a few days in the week visiting the most of the families on the island I bade them farewell, perhaps to meet them no more "until we meet beyond the river where the surges cease to roll."

J. N. BARNES.

Fort Fairfield, Me.,
May 23rd, 1895.

The Right and Duty of the State.

While the right of any sect to carry on parochial schools is conceded, we also maintain, says the *Statesman*, the right of the government to inspect all such schools to see whether or not a proper system of instruction is established. The state possesses an inherent right to educate. It educates primarily for its own sake. It does it as a means of self-protection. If the state has the right it is also its duty to educate. Compulsory education is therefore justifiable. The only ground on which able-bodied children may be excused from attending the public schools is the fact of their receiving the necessary instruction at home, or in some other school. This education should be in all respects the equivalent of what the state requires in the public schools. To learn whether or not such education is given all such schools should be open to the inspection of the state. Where the standard is not complied with the state should exercise its authority and either require such schools to revise their system or require the children to attend the public school. Christian morality in its bearing on private, business, and political life should be a part of such a system of education.

Mission News and Notes.

Bishop William Taylor reports that his Angola Mission in Africa has acquired property to the amount of \$37,484.31, and that the net profits last year, after supporting the mission, were \$762.11. It is planted in a region peculiarly favorable to the system of self-support.

After all reverses and suffering, the gospel of Jesus Christ is gaining power in that rich part of the Dark Continent—Uganda. Over 100 native preachers have been distributed all over the country, and other agents are in training for similar work, so that it is hoped another hundred will soon be sent out. The plan is for these preachers to go out into the field for a time and then return for further training. The remarkable fact is that

they are supported by the native Church.

—Rev. James Johnston is authority for the statement that "India is now the best educated of the non-Christian countries of the world." China, with a population of 400,000,000, has between 12,000,000 and 14,000,000 who can read intelligently, while India, with 300,000,000, has between 14,000,000 and 15,000,000 readers, most of them taught in the modern methods of the Christian world. The various missionary, tract, and Bible societies printed last year for India 1,133,155 volumes.

—Our Baptist brethren are to be congratulated on the success of their missions in Burmah. It appears that they have over three hundred self-supporting churches, and eighty-three more which pay the greater part of what is needed for pastors' salaries and church expenses. As the Burmans are not particularly distinguished for industry or wealth, this result must be attributed to the wisdom of the missionaries in aiming from the very beginning at the development of the spirit of self-sacrifice and consecration.

—The Presbyterian Mission in Mexico reports the following statistics for 1894:—Ordained missionaries, 10; married lady missionaries, 8; unmarried lady missionaries, 4; total American missionaries, 22; ordained native, 30; licentiates, 20; other native helpers, 130; total of native labourers, 180; students for the ministry, 18; churches, 85; communicants, 4,512; added during the year, 271; boys in boarding school, 33; girls in boarding school, 113; boys in day schools, 339; girls in day schools, 683; total number of pupils, 1,168; scholars in Sabbath school, 1571; contributions \$3,495.

General Religious News.

—It is reported that the Sultan of Turkey is sending out Mohammedan missionaries to Africa at his own expense to counteract the influence of the Christian missionaries in that continent.

—The Rev. John McNeil has finished his work in India and sailed for England. His last meetings were held in Bombay and were as successful as those elsewhere. The Novelty Theatre, the largest hall in the city, was packed to its fullest extent.

—Richmond, Va., is the great Baptist city of the world. There are, including all denominations, eighty-eight churches, and thirty-four of these are Baptist. The entire church membership of the city is about 42,000, and more than 20,000 of these, or nearly one-half, are Baptists.

—Dr. L. W. Munhall and Professor Birch have been conducting a series of revival services in Saginaw, Mich. Preparations for their coming had been made by holding a union prayer-meeting for several weeks. Not less than 1,000 people confessed Christ; but they represented only a portion of the good that was done.

—Mr. Ira D. Sankey writing from Mexico on April 8, says: "Mr. Moody and I held our first meetings in this city yesterday. The attendance was large and the interest great. Last week we had three days' conference with the missionaries of Mexico at Toluca, which was spiritually profitable to all who were there. When we leave here we go to Fort Worth, Tex., where a Tabernacle capable of holding from five to six thousand persons is being built for our meetings."

—A writer in *The Rock* gives some interesting figures as to the growth in ritualistic practices in the Church of England. During the ten years from 1882 to 1892, the number of churches which had adopted ritualistic practices had grown from 2,581 to 5,043; those in which vestments were worn, from 336 to 1,029; those in which incense was used from 9 to 177; those in which altar lights were used from 581 to 2,048; those in which the eastward position was observed from 1,692 to 3,918.

—PARLIAMENTARY NOTES.—A bill to prevent the carriage of liquors in no license districts in any conveyance carrying the mails, has been introduced into Parliament. The bill will not apply to steamboats and railway trains. Should the bill become law, as it ought to, there will be some grumbling among mail carriers in many parts of the country.

The House of Commons celebrated the Queen's birthday by taking a week's vacation. The Senate had adjourned some days before, waiting for business.

The budget debate still drags wearily along. Nothing new is being said, the first half dozen speakers having covered all the ground. But the members must talk.

Home Religious News.

—Rev. G. J. Bond, of Halifax, was asked to become General Secretary of the Upworth League of the Methodist church of Canada, but has declined.

—Rev. A. F. Baker has resigned the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Woodstock. He intends spending the summer in missionary work in the Province.

—A Jubilee Service in commemoration of the fiftieth year since the establishment of the Diocese of Fredericton and the consecration of Bishop Medley will be held in St. John's church on Thursday June 13th.

—Rev. J. H. McDonald lately assistant pastor at Amherst, is to become pastor of the Woodstock Baptist church. He will enter upon his duties soon.

—Last Sabbath the 50th, Anniversary of the opening of the Congregational Church, St. John, was observed. A sketch of the church's history was read by Mr. R. Woodrow, and Mr. S. B. Patterson who, as a boy, was present at the laying of the Corner Stone in 1844, made an interesting address.

Denominational News.

Rev. L. A. Cosman went to Kingston, K. Co. last week on a visit to his family. He will return the last of this week. He reports the work in his field—Upper Hainesville, Millville and Campbell Settlement, York Co.—is a fairly encouraging condition. His health is better than it was in the winter.

FROM REV. J. W. SMITH.—Permit us again to enter your columns with a brief note of our leaving the place of our last labors. At the sunrise last Tuesday morning, while we rode away over the forest hills, with thoughts and prayers to God that He would continue and perfect His work among that people who are not only dear to us, but dear to him, we verily concluded that the friendly devotion of the church and congregation at Port Mouton was worthy of special mention as well as our sincere gratitude and remembrance. We found faithful friends among the people, who were helpers in every material emergency, and many who were co-workers in the Lord, as was plainly found by the many precious tokens, tears and tremulous "Good byes."

How greatly were we surprised and made thankful to the utmost, when, at the close of our last C. E. meeting, sister Gardner asked permission to make a few remarks, and with the following kind address presented Mrs. Smith and myself with a very handsome photograph album.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith.—The active and associate members of the C. E. Society wish your acceptance of this gift as a memento. We think of you as the founder of this society, and your zeal and faithfulness are worthy of our highest appreciation and regard. How much we shall miss your presence and helpfulness, the future alone will show, yet as it seems to be our Father's will that we separate, we wish you "God-speed" in your work wherever it may be, and rest assured that the prayers of this society will ever be for you. Again we say, God bless you, and may the Lord watch between us while we are absent from each other.

May 10th,
The Lord and Master ever support and guide those people of His own fold.
J. W. SMITH.

FROM REV. WM. MILLER.—I wish to say that the Lord has greatly blessed the churches of my pastorate with an outpouring of His Spirit. I have baptized 51 converts, and expect to baptize some more soon.

We have a Sabbath School and Young People's Society in connection with each church in the pastorate, and they are doing good work; there is also a Temperance society in each community, and they are in good working order.

Last Thursday evening, at the close of prayer meeting, sisters J. Connell and C. Hickerson presented me with \$17.50 for a baptizing suit, which they had collected from Woods Harbour and Shag Harbour church. The C. E. Society at Woods Harbour gave me \$5.00 as a New Year's present, and sent Mrs. Miller a handsome quilt; the young people at Pubnico sent her another beautiful quilt. These tokens of esteem are highly appreciated by us, and we wish to thank our many friends, and pray that the Lord may bless them.

A BONFIRE.—During a recent revival in Fultonville, N. Y., one of the converts was a rumrunner, the keeper of one of the most notorious places in the town. Being converted he, of course, gave up his business. He emptied his stock into the gutter and made a bonfire of the barrels and fixtures.

NUNS PROHIBITED. A despatch from Texas says the state department of education has ruled that nuns cannot teach in the public schools of Texas and that everything of a sectarian nature must be absolutely eliminated from the public schools. Catholic nuns have been conducting schools in southwest Texas, and this ruling puts an end to it.

Mr. B. H. TEAKLES died in Ottawa on Monday of last week. He was a native of Kings Co., the only son of the late W. S. Teakles Esq., of the Portage, Sussex, who was well known to all our older ministers. Mr. B. H. Teakles had been in Ottawa for twenty-six years, and was in the Department of Railway and Canals. He was brought up a Free Baptist, and always in sympathy with the views and aims of the denomination, but as there was no F. B. church in Ottawa he became a member of the Baptist church, and for several years was a deacon of the church. He was a faithful and earnest Christian man, actively interested in all Christian work and successful in his Master's service. He will be missed from the Christian circle in which he moved. His aged mother, whose home is with her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Burnett, will deeply feel the death of her only son, but her Christian faith, and the precious hope in his death will sustain and comfort her till the reunion, which will be soon. To the widow and children of our deceased brother, as to his mother and sisters we extend Christian sympathy.

PERSONAL.—The report that Hon. Edward Blake was about to resign his seat in the British Parliament is now said to be without foundation.

Hon. Geo. E. Foster is to deliver the oration at the unveiling of the Sir John A. Macdonald monument in Montreal June 8th. Sir Leonard Tilley is also invited to speak.

Gen. Booth, of the Salvation Army, is reported quite ill.

Among Exchanges.

HAVE MORE SENSE.

The card table, faro, monte, the lottery, and the slot machine are only so many different forms of bait with which the devil conceals his hook for catching young men. Dear boys, you ought to have more sense than to hang around or bite at such bait.—*Telescope*.

ORGANIZATION.

There is so much religious organization at present, and so many organizations within the Church, that we are apt to forget that it is only as these are a part of the Church, and advancing the interests of the Church, that they are doing permanent work.—*Herald and Presbyter*.

NO HINDRANCE.

It has been said of the late Dr. William M. Taylor, that his wealth of intellect did not prevent his being spiritually-minded. A question is suggested as to whether any man's wealth of intellect does or can prevent his being spiritually-minded. Wealth of intellect is a good gift of God, and cannot be a hindrance to spirituality. Pride of intellect is from a very different source, and may hinder very greatly one's growth in grace.—*United Presbyterian*.

MAKE A NOTE OF IT.

Every faithful pastor makes his calls as frequently as his other duty will permit, and as the best interests of each parishioner, in his judgment, require, and it is very disheartening to be greeted on entering any door with the words, "What a stranger; we were beginning to think we should not see you again." How much better to say, "We are very glad to see you, for we were longing for the time when you would have an opportunity of calling." Such a welcome opens the heart's door for any Gospel message the pastor may see fit to utter.—*Pulpit Treasury*.

Denominational Notices.

NOTICE.

The Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia will meet at the Free Baptist church, Canning, Kings Co., June 14th, 1895 at 10 a. m.

EDWIN CROWELL, Clerk.
Canning,
March 15, 1895.

P. S. Passengers from Yarmouth and the West by D. A. Ry. daily trains transfer at Kentville and reach Canning at about 5 p. m.

E. C.

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May 22, '95.

NOTICE.

The Woman's Foreign Mission Aid Society of the Second District will hold its annual meeting at the time and place of holding the Annual District Meeting, which will be at Waterville about the middle of June. Secretaries of Local Societies will please send in their reports, not later than the 7th of June.

R. J. ALEXANDER.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

First District Meeting, at Fort Fairfield, Me., the First Saturday in July. Ministers to attend: Revs. C. T. Phillips, Dr. McLeod, H. Hartt, J. Henderson, J. J. Barnes, Rev. G. Swift to preach the annual sermon.

Second District Meeting, at Waterville, C. Co., the Third Saturday in June. Ministers to attend: Revs. J. W. Clark, Dr. McLeod, Rev. Joseph Noble to preach the annual sermon.

Third District Meeting at Lower Queensbury, York Co. the Third Friday in September. Ministers to attend: Revs. Dr. McLeod, A. G. Downey, S. J. Perry, Rev. G. W. Foster to preach the annual sermon.

Fourth District Meeting at Upper Gagetown, Q. C., the Second Friday in September. Ministers to attend: Revs. A. H. McLeod, B. H. Nobles, J. N. Barnes, Dr. McLeod, Rev. G. A. Hartley to preach the annual sermon.

Fifth District Meeting, at Hibernia, Queens Co., the First Friday in July. Ministers to attend: Revs. S. J. Perry, John Perry, Dr. McLeod.

Sixth District Meeting, with the Second Church, North River, Eagles' Settlement, W. Co. the Second Friday in July. Ministers to attend: Revs. S. J. Perry, John Perry, Dr. McLeod.

Seventh District Meeting at Wilson's Beach, Campbell, the First Saturday in September. Ministers to attend: Revs. A. M. McNinch, O. N. Mott, Rev. J. W. Clarke to preach the annual sermon.

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Marriages.

McMACKIN-THORNE.—At the residence of the bride's father, James E. Thorne, May 23rd, by Rev. Abram Perry, Colby J. McMackin and Merab Thorne, all of Havelock, K. Co.

Deaths.

DUMPHY.—On May 20th, at Keswick, Annie C. Dumphy, aged three mos., daughter of George K. and Annie Dumphy. "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." W. C. KEIRSTEAD.

GRANT.—At Arthursville, on May 15th, of typhoid fever, George Ernest Grant, aged 19 years and 8 months, youngest son of George W. and Elizabeth Grant.

SMITH.—At Millville, St. John, April 13th, of bronchitis and whooping cough, William G. Smith, aged 11 months and 23 days, youngest child of Charles E. and Dortha L. Smith. "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

MUSGROVE.—Miss Hannah Musgrove, one of Lower William's land-marks, has been removed. The Lord was good to her in life and forsook her not in the last sickness, which lasted only two days; she died without a struggle, aged 79 years. She was a woman of grace and Christ-like qualities, which she bore under the banner old Millstream Free Baptist church. Of the once large family, only one sister remains, Mrs. Duncan McLeod of Corn Hill. There is quite a large number of relatives, among them C. L. Musgrove and Bayard McLeod, Rev. G. W. Musgrove and Dr. T. W. Musgrove. A large number were present at the funeral.

FLANDERS.—At Long Island, Vic. Co., May 17th, Ida M., eldest daughter of William P. and Naomi Flanders, aged 17 years and 17 days, of typhoid fever. She was ill about 12 days, but was not considered dangerous until within a few days of her death. Five or six days before death came, she became aware that death was near. She professed faith in Christ two years ago last February and was baptized by Rev. J. N. Barnes. She joined the church in this place, and has led a constant life since. Yet she was not satisfied, as to her reconciliation with God. She told her father that the way did not seem clear, but he said to her that she had not given all up. After wrestling for a day and a night she found peace, and calling her father to her she told him that all was well that she was ready and willing to go if it were God's will that she should. Two days after this her speech failed her, but she knew all until within a few days of her death. Her parents, though they loved her dearly, did not murmur at the will of God, but gave her up freely, feeling that what was their loss was her eternal gain. Her kind and loving manner won for her a large circle of friends, both here and elsewhere. She leaves a father here and a brother and sister, to mourn their sad loss. May God comfort them in their sore bereavement. The body was taken to Three Brooks for interment, and as the pastor (Rev. E. B. Grey) was away, Rev. Mr. Archibald (Presbyterian) kindly gave from II Kings, 1: 2. The hymns sung were "Mount Vernon," "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," "Asleep in Jesus" and "It is well with my soul." The funeral was largely attended.

J. O. F.

ANDERSON.—At Nashwaak, York Co., on the 17th May, of bright's disease, Howard Anderson, son of John and Charlotte Anderson, aged eight years and six months. Sermon by the writer.

J. HENDERSON.

SCHOFIELD.—Jacob Bent Schofield, one of our strong and loyal Free Baptist is fallen, and the Snider Mountain church, of which he was a worthy member, loses a staunch and faithful Christian, while the grave contains one more of the noble, whose remains were buried the 7th inst. by the I. O. Forsters. He was 43 years of age. Four weeks before his death he was taken with pneumonia, and he said from his first sickness that it was the last, and was ready for the change. The day before he passed away he called his loving wife to his bedside and said, "You need not wait on me any more, I am praying for you." He leaves three brothers and two sisters, as well as a wife and eight children to mourn their loss.

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