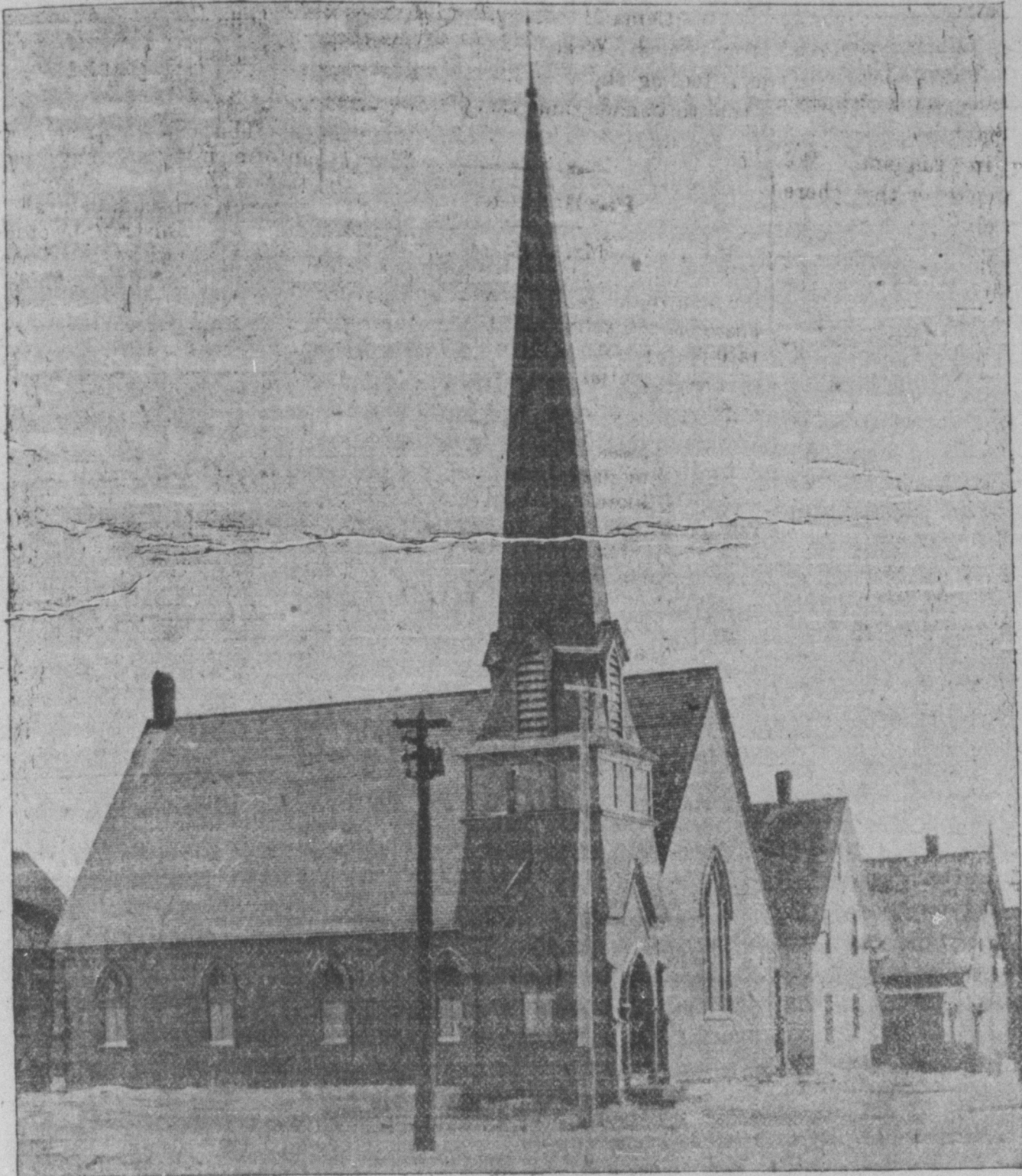




MONCTON FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Denominational News.

DEDICATION.—The Free Baptist Church of Moncton will be rededicated on June 11th, D. V. The clergy who are to be present and who will take the important parts in the services of the day are: Rev. G. A. Leed, D. D., Rev. Joseph McLeod, D. D., Rev. C. T. Phillips and Rev. Wesley Clarke. There will be a reception on Saturday evening 10th in the church will meet and welcome the visiting clergymen. There will be a short programme with refreshments. 10 minute speeches will be delivered as follows: Rev. J. Wesley Leed, "Our Church;" Rev. G. A. Leed, "Our Homes;" Rev. Joseph McLeod, "Our Country;" Rev. C. T. Phillips, "Our Queen." One exceedingly interesting feature of the Reception will be the Reception Roll Call. The Free Baptists in N. B. who are present with us in the occasion of Rededication will be asked to read their greeting along with 50 cents.velopes will be provided which will be returned with the 50 cents inclosed under the name of contributors thereon. The programme for the Sunday will be given later.

E. S. PARKER.
Moncton, Apr. 14th '99.

FROM REV. J. NOBLE.—It has been some time since anything has appeared in the paper over my name I and now I write a little. For some time I did not know as I had anything to write; but I should have had much. The Lord has been very good to me. My health for the most of the time has been good, except the short time that I was down with the la grippe, and the most of that time I could move about and drive out fine days, though I was weak and without appetite. But I am feeling much better now. I was up as far as Lower Perth last week and the week before, and held a few meetings, I trust with profit to the people. Last Sunday I was at Lower Perth in the morning, and at Bath in the evening. Both services were helpful. Twenty-five years ago I laboured in a glorious revival there; some of the old workers in that revival were present last Sunday, and in comparing the gospel of the evening with the gospel of those days rejoiced that it is just the same, and they were encouraged to be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. Brother S. J. Perry is working away with very good acceptance among the people. On my way home I stopped at Lower Brighton and was with brother Dagget in one meeting. He has commenced special meetings there; the prospect looks favourable. My prayer is that the Lord will work in mighty power, for there is great need of revival there as well as in many other places. I thought a while ago that my work was done, but I don't know but the Lord has something yet

for me to do. I hope to be directed in the right way and to the right place.
J. NOBLE.
Woodstock, April 12.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.—I wish through the INTELLIGENCER to express my heartfelt thanks to friends at Upper Kent; Lower Perth; Wright Settlement and Clearview, who met at our home on the 6th inst., and presented me with \$25.70. A very enjoyable evening was spent. May God bless these dear people, is my prayer.
S. J. PERRY.
Upper Kent, C. Co.
April 10, 1899.

WELCOMED HOME.—Rev. Mr. Noble, who has been on an evangelistic tour at Grand Manan, was cordially welcomed home to Sussex Monday evening. A number gathered at the parsonage, when Mr. Daniel G. Leed, on behalf of the church and congregation, extended welcome to Mr. Noble, referring in very kind words to his work, and also of their appreciation of him as their pastor. Refreshments were served, and a pleasant hour spent. Solos were sung by Mrs. Murray and Taffie. Mr. Noble made a very pleasing reply to all the good things that had been said about him.—Telegraph.

FROM REV. J. J. BARNES.—I suppose the readers of the INTELLIGENCER are looking for something more from me about the special meetings begun at Lindsay, C. Co. some time ago. Well, I may say, to start with, that the bad state of the roads and the weather has very much hindered the work, especially during the first two weeks, there being only six meetings in that time. The next week (last week) was more encouraging. We had meetings every night except Saturday. Still the results are not what we had hoped for. I am sure the church members are earnest and anxious, and seem to spare not themselves in their part of the work; they try to be devoted and consecrated, and seem willing to be used of God in His cause. Rev. H. Hart was with us at several meetings, and rendered good assistance. But after all this, so far as we can see conversions are but few. Many sinners seem to be at the point of giving up to God and entering the christian life, but they stoutly and stubbornly hold on their way. Some few of this class are getting old. It would seem that the shadows of a dark eternity are even now falling on them. And yet they are insensible to their danger. We tremble as we think of them. God grant they may make the wise decision now, before it is too late. The meetings here will be continued a short time more. Will all who read this pray for us and the unconverted and the work at Lindsay!

I wish to express our gratitude to the few people of Lakeville church and congregation, who met at Mrs. Ray's on the evening of the 20th ult., and presented us with a donation of nearly twelve dollars. The weather on that night was exceedingly rough and cold, and the roads were also bad, therefore the gathering was a small one. The church at Lakeville is no doubt among the weakest, if not the weakest, living church in the denomination. Although the male members of this church are so very few a regular mid-week prayer meeting is sustained; and it is a good one too. Supporting a preaching service once a fortnight (and less than

that would be no good to them in their circumstances) is a good deal for them to do alone for many years. They are situated alongside of a strong and flourishing Methodist church, in the midst of a comparatively large and prosperous village. Although they are so few in numbers, and their means so small, they keep their church building in excellent condition. There are few if any church buildings more tidily kept and better lighted. Add to their share of the pastor's salary, the expense of keeping the church building &c. and they are doing a good deal. It might be well for the H. M. Executive to consider the case and, perhaps, make a small grant. Such assistance would put them in a position to bear their share in supporting the various denominational schemes that are constantly appealing to us all.

I am pleased to be able to say that this pastorate, considered as a whole, is doing well. I am sure the Waterville church, which is the largest church in the pastorate, is in a healthy and thriving state. It is our hope and most earnest prayer that this church may continue in its present humble attitude towards God. Churches, like individuals, are prone to grow proud and independent, hence the leanness and barrenness of many churches and communities throughout the country. Nothing is sadder than the closing of the doors of the house of the Lord. Lock out the Sabbath ministry from the house of God? Yes, it is sometimes done. But it never happens to churches working in union, from love to God, and with proper humility of Spirit.

The church at Third Tier is not doing much, in a way. The membership is small, but they are in a good spirit of brotherly love and union among themselves; and we are looking and hoping for a brighter day to dawn upon this little church. It was once a large church, but deaths and removals have reduced its strength.

My letter is much too long; and yet I might say more. If all enjoy reading about the ministers and churches, and their work as much as I do, even this may not seem uninteresting to the readers of the INTELLIGENCER.

I have not been able to do the usual amount of special work during the past winter, for several reasons. First, there have been many snow storms since last Fall, and the snow has been deep making it difficult getting about. Then I had la grippe, and it was slow work getting over it. I have managed to keep going, but have not been very speedy. However, I have enjoyed about seven weeks of special work since Conference; but this does not seem much, as usually I labor in special work about all winter. I am planning to give a short time of special work to the church at Brookville. They have no house of worship, but there is a comfortable school house in which services are held.

J. J. BARNES.
Waterville, C. Co.
Apr. 10th, '99.

NARROWS.—Since the last report one more convert has been baptized at Narrows by Rev. D. Patterson. Bro. P. is now holding special meetings at Shannon.

MINISTERS.—We are glad to again have a letter from father Noble. All our people, and many besides, will be

pleased to learn from him that his health is better and that he is still moving about in the work of the Lord. May it be long before he 'rests from his labour.'

FREDERICTON JUNCTION.—I suppose a few lines from my pen about Beaver Harbour might be of some interest to readers of the INTELLIGENCER. They wrote to me saying they would like to have me go down and spend a week or so with them, so I made up my mind to try and go, and on Wednesday the 12th went down. Bro. Wm. Best met me at Pennfield and took me to the Harbour, where I spent one week. I held several meetings and preached to an attentive audience of people each time. I found the cause quite low as they have been without a pastor for some time, but there are some faithful ones still trying to hold on, and sustain the Master's cause. They have a very good Sabbath School, and a good many of the young people attend. The people seemed to enjoy my visit, and enjoyed myself very much, but I found that a great many changes had taken place since I went to preach there ten or twelve years ago. Many of the old people that I was acquainted with there have passed away and passed to their reward. Deacon James Eldridge and Bro. John Best I missed very much, with quite a number of others. There was quite a number of deaths there this winter, I think I was told there were eighteen or twenty died there. That is a good many for that small place. There are quite a number moving in there this spring. Business seems to be very good. There are three carriage factories there which makes a good deal of work for the people. One is run by Bro. Sanford Daken, one by Bro. John Paul, and one by Mr. Lewis Holmes formerly of Eastport. There are also five or six stores in the place, and five or six freighting vessels run from there which will make times very good for the people. I think it is a pity our people could not get a good man to preach for them about half of the time. They would be willing to pay him, they are a people who enjoy preaching very much, and are willing to pay if they can get the man that suits them. They are going to try to get a man for next winter. I find there are quite a number there who do not take the RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER, when I go back again I am going to try and get it in a number of homes. Some have already promised, I think about three. But it ought to be in many more. It is very helpful in the home, and the people will all say that. I send you one renewal from here, and one new subscriber. I mean to do what I can for the paper. I think all the brethren ought to. I am getting along fairly well here with my work, and like my people much, and am hoping and praying that God's blessing may more abundantly rest upon us. I hope all the brethren will write often and more especially Thaddeus. Wishing all the brethren success, and hoping that they will have a good year in their work, I remain in Christian fellowship.

JOHN A. ROBERTSON.

NORTH HEAD, GRAND MANAN.—evangelistic services under the leadership of Rev. B. H. Nobles and evangelist Britton began on Friday evening, 30th ult., and closed Sunday 9th inst. As is known to our brethren generally, our interest at North Head has suffered so much in different ways that it must of a necessity take longer time to throw down the barriers than brethren Nobles and Britton had to give us. However, these men of God, clothed with power by the Holy Spirit laboured earnestly every night and several afternoons for more than a week among us. The congregations were good, and brother Nobles presented truth in such an earnest and persuasive manner that conviction was written on countenances, and many must have heard the call of the Lord. Every service was good, but the Easter services were particularly impressive. The sermon for the evening was based on Isaiah 53: 6, and the preacher seemed burdened for the conviction of the lost. Mr. Britton's singing was marked with a spiritual feeling, and the influence of such speaking and singing must bear fruit. Although these leaders could not be with us longer, we are praying and believing to see much good result from the week's labours. We are assured that the word of God preached with such power can not be in vain, but must accomplish that for which it was sent—the conversion of sinners and reclaiming of wanderers. We earnestly ask every Free Baptist to pray for our cause here, and especially that local hindrances to the work may be removed by the workings of the Holy Spirit among us all.

A MEMBER.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—The anniversary of our wedding day, which occurred on March 20th, was celebrated by our kind friends in this place. A large number met with us at the parsonage, and spent a pleasant evening. They brought with them not only good cheer and refreshments, but many very useful presents, which made us the better off temporarily.

Mrs. Currie and myself wish, in this way to thank this kind people, for their remembrance of us on that day. They have helped us more than they know.

I wish, also, to thank the people of Norton for the donation of \$36.00 in cash, presented to us some weeks ago. Annually the Norton church and congregation give their pastor this free gift, over and above his salary. Like other good people, I suppose they have some faults, but they have as few of them as any other people. In all respects they are as good as others, and in many they are far superior.

GEO. F. CURRIE.

Norton Station,
Apr. 14th, '99

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