

who are... has given great relief... heard with great joy.

The South African Presidents made appeal to the several powers for... meditation in their behalf. Many replied that it would be... to participate provided both... desired it but not other. Other European powers for the... or equally good reasons, were... disposed to meddle in the affair. The United States government (it is a... (several year) communicated the... of the Presidents to the British... and intimated that it... be willing to be an intermediary... to Great Britain. Lord... reply, politely declining the... to the effect that Britain... intending to accept the services... country, but would herself... the matter in accordance with... to Kruger and Steyn. British... enthusiastically approves the... of the Premier. Neither inter... nor meddling of any kind... is tolerated, is the gist of Salis... statement. And the world... stands it.

The war has now lasted five months. The first three were trying to the... people, but the people kept... temper well, and supported the... in all measures consider... to ensure victory. The... of the Boers has proved... Kruger and Steyn assured... Boers that Great Britain would sue... being compelled thereto by... triumphant march of Joubert and... to the coast. While the Brit... were getting men to South Africa, the Boers tried to carry out their pro... They invaded Natal and... their way down to Colenso. The... managed to pen up 10,000 Brit... soldiers in Ladysmith. They in... Cape Colony and annexed large... of that colony as well as of... and now their armies are... back. One of their best Generals... his army is in captivity. The... State forces are not now so eager... Last week both Kruger and... met the army at or near Poplar... and exhorted their men to fight... the men fled before the British... The flag now floats over one... of his troops. The end will not be till it is... over the other capital.

General Sir George White's defense... Ladysmith is regarded by military... as one of the most masterly... ever conducted. For four... he held his position against an... overwhelming force, repulsing almost... attacks. His men were con... making successful sorties.

The New York Journal printed... it claimed to be a despatch to its... from Kruger, dated Pretoria, 14th, which says: "The... will only cease fight... with death. Our forces are retreat... in good order to our first line of... on our own soil. The Natal... was longer in our favour... expected. The British will... reach Pretoria. The Burghers, Joubert and myself, as well as... others are united. There are... differences. God helps us. Perhaps the despatch is genuine... perhaps not. But whether genu... or not, it is probably a fairly ac... statement of what the Boer... would have believed.

Dr. Jamieson, of the "Jamieson... was in Ladysmith during the... and was, towards the last, very ill. Dr. Jamieson, on the... out of hostilities, was anxious... a military command, but as... leader of the raid he was excluded... the service for political reasons... was not welcomed when he arrived... Ladysmith. But his opportunity... when the garrison was fever... He reverted to medical prac... and did ten men's work in caring... the fever patients and the wounded...

A correspondent who has just re... to Capetown from Pretoria, says he spent a month, says that... interviews with many politicians... burghers there he believes they... resist to the end. He says the... of the Pretoria commando... under oath that the survivors shall... the children of the slain mem... and that these children shall be... up in the idea that Great... killed their fathers while they... defending their freedom.

The "Figaro," Paris, reproduced a... days ago, a note of warning by a... man who is said to know the... opinion among the great... with respect to the attitude of... toward Great Britain, and... the powers condemn the recent... French caricatures of Queen... and such anti-British demon... as have taken place.

Winston Churchill, the war corres... wired the London Post a few... ago protesting against the too... treatment given General... He adds: "The stern de... not to exchange prisoners will

undoubtedly accelerate the end of the war, but it will prove very hard and perhaps even dangerous for the British prisoners in Pretoria.

"There is abundant evidence that the Boers are becoming more cruel and that the war will enter a darker phase. It is very doubtful if the Boer government will be able to control the wild passions of the exasperated ruffians forming the noisy part of the Boer forces in the event of a siege of Pretoria and the position of the British prisoners would then become precarious."

Bloemfontein, the capital of the Orange Free State, has a population of about 8,000, of whom 4,000 are whites. It stands upon a plain surrounded by low hills, rising from an elevation of from two to three hundred feet. The town is regularly laid out, with a large market square in the centre on which the principal streets meet. The houses are often surrounded by luxuriant gardens and shaded by willow, gum and other trees. Most of the public buildings are a combination of red brick and of a fine-grained white stone, quarried in the neighborhood. They include, the New Raad Zaal, or House of Parliament, a very well-designed building which cost over \$285,000, and the residence of the President, a stone building, which cost \$75,000.

Four newspapers are published in the town, which is well supplied with hotels and stores.

It is stated that nine tons of mail matter were delivered in Ladysmith and Colenso in one day after the relief of the former place.

Steyn's flight has won him him a good deal of contempt. Some of the Bloemfontein people say he would have been shot if his intention to flee had been known.

The "Monterey" with the Strathcona Horse, sailed from Halifax on Saturday. They were given a most enthusiastic send-off. On the same ship went one hundred men to fill up the depleted ranks of the first Canadian contingent.

The relief of Mafeking has been eagerly looked for. A Monday despatch says it is believed in London that the relief has taken place, though there is not official confirmation of it.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

HIERNIA, Q. Co.—A young woman was baptized at Hiernia on Sunday, March 4th, making ten in all as a result of the special service held there. W. H. PERRY.

KARS K. Co.—God has blessed our efforts here. On the 11th inst. five converts were baptized. The church has been helped and encouraged. I expect to see good accomplished all over this pastorate. Pray for us. T. O. DEWITT.

DEER ISLAND, N. B.—Rev. A. D. Paul is holding special meetings at Lambert's Cove, Deer Island, one of the churches of his pastorate, and a good revival is in progress.

FREDERICTON.—There was a congregational reunion in the church on Wednesday evening of last week. There was a good audience present. The pastor, Rev. F. C. Hartley, presided. The opening services were conducted by Rev. J. T. Parsons and Licentiate Gregg, the latter reading the scripture lesson, and the former offering prayer. The choir, under the leadership of Mr. M. Tennant, furnished suitable music. The pastor read a sketch of the history of the church, which was organized in 1845. Rev. C. T. Phillips gave an interesting address on denominational loyalty; and Rev. Dr. McLeod spoke briefly, giving a few reminiscences of church life. The offerings amounted to \$98.00. After the service, refreshments were served in the vestry, the people evidently enjoying the occasion.

FROM REV. G. SWIM.—A number of my friends have asked me why I have not written for the INTELLIGENCER. I confess I should have done so before. I have no reason for not writing. I enjoy reading letters from my brethren, and I am glad God is blessing them in their work. When I hear men and women accepting Christ as their personal Saviour, it makes me glad. God bless you all, brethren; your "labour is not in vain in the Lord." Of course, the readers of the INTELLIGENCER know that since Conference I have been labouring under direction of the Home Mission Board. I have visited the following churches, — Campobello, Beaver Harbour, Erb Settlement, Oromocto, Rosignols and Gagetown. In all of these places I received a very cordial welcome. I preached the word and visited the people in their homes. Thank God good was done; the reaping time will surely come; God will "give the increase" the churches at Campobello and Beaver Harbour are without pastoral care. They can support pastors; the right men would be well received. Unless these churches

have regular care at once the cause will suffer. But where are the men? "The labourers are few." Let us all pray to the Lord of the harvest for more labourers. I have been told that the church at Erb Settlement has not had a sermon from a Free Baptist minister since last Christmas. There are a faithful few there who are trying to sustain the cause. I have preached every Sunday since Conference except two, and then the storms prevented the people going to church. I have, under direction of the H. M. Board, been supplying the Moncton pastorate, which includes Moncton, Dover, Taylor Village and Lutz Mountain, since the 2nd Sunday in February. I exchanged with bro. Prosser on the 4th inst. and will (D V) exchange with bro. Francis on the 11th. I have been prevented by sickness in my family from doing any special work in the churches. I am strongly of the opinion that Moncton church should have a minister all the time. I have had good congregations at every appointment, and the people listen attentively to the preaching of the word. A Free Baptist Minister is needed in Moncton; the parsonage should be occupied.

The other churches mentioned must have care if they are to prosper. During the short time I am in the field I shall do the best I can for them. The Methodist and Presbyterian pastors at Apohaqui have been holding special meetings in that place for a short time. Bro. Ferguson and myself have attended a few of the meetings; good has been done; our church is represented in the work. I am enjoying my work very much. I have been a pastor for fourteen years, and during that time God has blessed me, and has permitted me to lead a good many souls to Jesus; to God be all the praise. Since I have been the missionary of the H. M. Board I have been asked by different churches to become a pastor; but I am anxious to do a little more work as a missionary visiting different churches. I hope to do whatever is the Lord's will. I hope, by the will of God, to spend a good many years in the work of my Divine Master.

GIDEON SWIM.

March 8th.

GRAND MANAN.—I have said good bye to my friends on Grand Manan, and am on my way back to College. That picturesque Island, the generous, hospitable and kindly christian people shall ever be held in most pleasant memory. Later I may make a few observations on this western-most Free Baptist field. It will encourage all to know that the churches there are making progress. On the main island are four churches—North Head, Castalia, Grand Harbour and Seal Cove churches.

North Head is looking to a growing Sunday-school for future strength. The members are planning on renovating the edifice. They are anxious that a pastor come immediately.

Castalia (formerly a part of North Head church) has built a church of its own, and will dedicate it this Spring or Summer. The church is finished beautifully inside, with a steel ceiling, and everything else to correspond. These two churches need the care of one man.

Grand Harbour is a strong and united church. The large congregations, composed nearly of our own people, are truly inspiring. They have a beautiful building, finished about four years ago, of modern design. I was privileged to receive fourteen into the Grand Harbour church, nine by baptism and five by letter, as a result of protracted meetings, in which bro. I. D. Harvey assisted.

Seal Cove has been revived and one baptized. They had, when I left, over \$1000.00 subscribed for a new church edifice, and were most hopeful that success would follow their far-seeing plan. Grand Harbour and Seal Cove should be constituted into a second pastorate, the whole main Island giving work for two men. One man cannot do justice to himself and the work if Castalia, the new field, receives the care it should have.

Bro. Harvey came from White Head after I had spent four weeks in special work at Grand Harbour, and carried on the meetings alone for about two weeks. He also gave me some assistance at Seal Cove. The work was much helped by his coming. Bro. Harvey is loved and respected by all in this native place.

The churches are corresponding with Rev. A. H. McLeod, with a view to securing his services. E. S. PARKER.

March 15th, 1900.

MINISTERS.—The INTELLIGENCER office had a pleasant visit from Rev. C. T. Phillips a few days ago.

Licentiate Kirkpatrick, also, looked in on us the other day. He has been labouring with the Upper Gagetown—Geary pastorate since last Conference. He has five or six preaching places. Sometimes during the winter the heavy snows have made it difficult for him to get around but he has kept moving. He has, he says, enjoyed the work.

Rev. W. H. Perry has begun special meetings at St. John West last week con-

ducting meetings for the pastor who was unable through illness to carry on the work.

Rev. Dr. Hartley is improved in health, but has not yet been able to resume preaching.

Rev. D. Long, St. John North, preached a temperance sermon last Sunday afternoon. The Temple attended in a body. There was a very large congregation, and a good sermon.

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DEATHS.

TURNER.—At Bridgewater Centre Me. March 12, of Consumption of the stomach, William D., aged 25 years, adopted son of the late Rev. C. D. and Ruth C. Turner, leaving a wife, adopted parents, a father, three brothers and three sisters to mourn their loss. His end was peace.

PRIDE.—At Fredericton Junction, Feb. 12th, after a short illness, Clifford B. Pride, in the 16th year of his age, the eldest child and only son of Benedict and Victoria Pride. May the Lord sustain the sorrowing parents in their bereavement. Memorial service conducted by the writer, March 4th 1900.

JOHN A. ROBERTSON.

McALPINE.—At Lower Cambridge, Queens Co., March 6th, John McAlpine, aged 54 years, leaving an aged widow, two sons and two daughters, together with a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Bro. McAlpine was a worthy member of the Free Baptist church at Upper Hampstead. Funeral services conducted by his pastor.

W. H. P.

BROWN.—At Corn Hill, Kings Co., March 4th, Ida, wife of Lawson Brown,

aged 52 years. The deceased, who was widely known and generally respected, succumbed after a brief illness, and the bereavement is keenly felt throughout the entire community. She will be sadly missed in the home-life, where the bestowal of affectionate care was her constant exercise. She died with her future in the keeping of Christ, and we do not sorrow as those that have no hope.

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DAUGGETT.—The Free Baptist church at Grand Harbour, Grand Manan, has suffered a great loss in the death, on the 20th ult., of its senior deacon, Mark Daggett Esq. Bro. Daggett was one of the original members of the church, having been baptized by Rev. J. N. Barnes. Being a sincere christian and a devoted member of the church, he was respected and loved by the whole community. He was an untiring Sabbath school worker. A more genial man could hardly be. He drew men to him. We felt the force of his character as that of a friend of many years, rather than one whom we had only met once in church and five or six times when visiting him during his sickness. Death occurred after weeks of great suffering, but the passing was a peaceful falling asleep. A loving family, wife, three sons and one daughter, mourn the loss of a kind and indulgent husband and father.

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