

almost as bad as preaching. At times how I wished that father had been a pirate or a highwayman. For two years a minister lived only for rods from my fathers. He was more than the other ministers, for he had no farm, and no regular salary. I remember him he must have been nearly seventy years of age. He was old, or would have been but for his angular form, he was lame, and to my boyish eye seemed careworn and sad. And no wonder for his family was large, and only the eldest daughter could help in the breadwinning. It was not considered right those days to take a stipulated salary, even if the people had been willing to give one, which they were not. The income was uncertain, the "outlook" was certain. Small wonder then that there were times when for a moment the godly man's faith failed, even though he knew that "the Lord would provide." I was only a boy, not half way to my teens, but it was a long time ago, but there are times now when, in my day dreams, I see that bent form, the care-worn face, lightened at moments by the light in heaven that "never fails," as he said to his soul,

And then the shadow drove away as sunshine, for the "palace" seemed away, and the "tent" was old and true.

There was a well worn path between the minister's home and ours, for I was with the minister's boy, or he was with me when we were not in our beds. One morning I went over when the minister had just returned home after some months absence. They were at breakfast when I went in. Of course, after breakfast came family prayer. It chanced that I knelt just behind the minister. I had never seen the minister's boots before. The heels of the old minister's boots were metal plates (the first I had seen), and I supposed that all ministers wore them. As I gazed at the passage over which I had knelt, my little head was explained. It must be being "shod with the preparation of the gospel," I said.

ANON.

Denominational News.

PORT MOUTON, N. S.—The work here very nicely. Last month baptized four, and one was admitted to the Lord's Supper. Our meetings are deeply interesting. Others have started for the kingdom. Backsliders have returned to their Father's house. We have a full house at the preaching services. The C. E. Society is well attended. The brethren have bought nice pulpit chairs, also expect to have a communion service of individual communion soon. We feel like praising God and going forward here.

R. HEINE.

FREDERICTON.—Church work in Fredericton is moving along quietly. The sister was recently baptized and joined with the church. A number of others have been converted, among them four young men—students who will be baptized probably next Sunday. Congregations are good and all the interests of the church well sustained.

F. C. HARTLEY.

MINISTERS' MEETING.—The regular monthly meeting of the York and Sunbury Co. Free Baptist ministers was held at Marysville Monday, May 12th. There were present Revs. Dr. McLeod, O. DeWitt, John Henderson, F. Hartley, A. D. Paul, F. S. Hartley, A. Rideout and F. H. Knowlin. Licentiates Cochrane and Bolster. Reports were received from all presbyters, also by letter from Rev. J. J. Jones. Some matters of mutual interest and helpfulness were discussed, and a good paper on Revivals, by Dr. McLeod, was much enjoyed. The evening service was held in the church; it was a missionary meeting. Addresses were delivered by bro. F. S. Hartley and E. H. Cochrane. Other ministers participated in the meeting. The next meeting will be held the second Monday in June at Fenton station. At the afternoon session Dr. Paul will lead a discussion on the subject of Ministers' Relief fund and missions will be discussed by Revs. F. Hartley and A. A. Rideout. Any other ministers will be made welcome.

F. C. HARTLEY, Secretary.

BRUSARLEM, Q. Co.—We concluded our special services Tuesday, April 15th. Three very enjoyable weeks were spent. The termination did not pass as we hoped it would. Out of the three that were moving forward only one was baptized. However, we

have great reason to praise God that He would so honor the means used to such a strengthening of the church and salvation of so many. We don't believe the results will be fully appreciated till we see "without a veil between." One very prominent result is the establishment of a fine Y. P. Society, an account of which will be given by our Cor. Sec., Geo. E. Inch. I feel that this is something that will be of lasting benefit to the church and community. A few days ago the church remembered the very timely assistance rendered by Rev. S. J. Perry in a tangible manner—a handsome donation. We are praying and laboring that the work just begun in so many young hearts may deepen and strength may be attained to their encouragement.

J. GARFIELD PERRY.

BLISSVILLE, S. Co.—The church building at Blissville is undergoing extensive repairs and improvements. The meetings and Sunday School are held in the Hall while the work is being done.

RUSIAGORNIS, S. Co.—A new foundation, the reeling of the interior and some other improvements are about being made in the church building.

MINISTERS.—Rev. Jos. Noble expected to be in Prince William last Sunday.

Rev. H. A. Bonnell writes that the work in his pastorate is prospering fairly well.

DOVER AND MONCTON.—Rev. E. S. Parker preached in the church at Dover Sunday 11th inst, in the morning. At the close of the service I baptized eleven young people; and at a service held in the afternoon they were received into the church, and the Lord's Supper was administered to a large number of communicants. There are other inquirers. We thank God for "showers of blessing."

Bro. Parker preached in Moncton in the evening, the same Sunday. His sermons were great enjoyed by large congregations. In our prayer meetings in Moncton anxious ones are seeking the Lord.

GIDEON SWIM.

THE TEACHERS.—The Canadian teachers for South Africa had a very pleasant ten days in London. Their letters tell of receptions and entertainments at which they met many distinguished people and were made to feel that their going to Africa is regarded in England as an important imperial service.

PARLIAMENT

MONDAY.—In reply to Mr. Gourlay, the premier said no negotiations were in progress respecting the union of Canada and Newfoundland.

On motion for supply Mr. Borden opened a discussion of the future attitude of the premier on the subject of imperial commercial relations. He pointed out that the premier had informed England that Canada did not desire a preference in return for ours. He went on to speak of the grain duties recently imposed by the imperial parliament, and said that the attention of the imperial government should have been called to desire of Canada that our grain should be exempted. The imperial government had taken a step which Canadian ministers had over and over again said could not be taken. Now this country wanted to know what the Canadian government proposed to do, or had done in the matter.

Mr. Borden closed his speech with the statement that if the premier would propose a resolution in favor of an imperial preference tariff the opposition would gladly support this motion and make it unanimous. Sir W. Laurier said that at the imperial conference he would take part in the discussions, but he would discuss them in the tone of his message to Mr. Chamberlain.

Regarding preferential trade, he said he was prepared to advocate such action. He was going to England to discuss commercial relations. No doubt Chamberlain had something to propose. He conceded that the situation today was different from that of 1897. The adoption of food duties by Britain had made a change in the situation. He would go to the conference to listen to what England might propose and then he would advocate mutual tariff preference. He would be glad to confer with Mr. Borden as to the form of resolution which should be favored unanimously by the house.

The house passed Mr. Tarte's estimates for dredging and telephone line.

TUESDAY.—This morning Mr. Borden reviewed the financial operations of the government, pointing out the

increase of taxation and expenditure &c. He moved an amendment setting forth the total increases and expressing the opinion that there is no justification on for them.

Mr. Fielding excused the increased expenditure on the ground that it was a growing time.

Mr. Tarte admitted a large increase of expenditure, and hoped it would be continued.

The house went into committee on the vote of \$327,000 to Mackenzie and Mann.

Mr. Borden, and other members asked for an explanation, but Mr. Blair, who made the motion did not speak.

Mr. Monk wanted to know who instructed Mackenzie and Mann to go to work without parliamentary authority.

WEDNESDAY.—Most of the remaining government bills were put through this morning.

The house voted \$50,000 for the sufferers from the recent volcanic eruption in Martinique and St. Vincent. Mr. Fielding said that of the \$50,000 one-half would at once be placed to the credit of the French relief fund for Martinique. The other half might be devoted to the sufferers in St. Vincent or other islands.

Mr. Borden supported the proposition. Concurrence in the estimates was completed.

THURSDAY.—Prorogation took place this afternoon with the usual formalities.

Though the Premier had promised Mr. Borden that he would consult him in the preparation of resolution concerning preferential trade and imperial conference, he did not mention the subject afterwards, and the house prorogued without further action.

MARRIAGES

CHISHOLM-SULLIVAN.—On the 15th May 1902, at the Bay Shore, Lancaster, St. John Co. N. B. by Rev. G. A. Hartley D. D. William F. Chisholm of Carleton, St. John and Miss Caroline Sullivan of Freeport, Digby Co. N. S.

FUNKER PHILIPS.—On the 14th inst, at Long's Hotel, Fredericton, by Rev. T. O. Dewitt, Mr. David Bunker and Miss Frances Phillips, both of Tracy Station.

SMITH-QUINN.—At the residence of the bride, Fredericton, April 17th by Rev. F. Clarke Hartley, Mr. Treadwell Smith to Mrs. Jennie Quinn, both of this city.

HARMER-SCOTT.—At the residence of Philip Grossett, Elliott Row, St. John, on the 14th May, by Rev. C. T. Phillips, Mr. Henry E. Harmer, of Coverdale, Albert Co. and Miss Annie E. Scott, of Penobscus, Kings Co.

DEATHS.

COLLINGS.—On the 6th inst, at Marysville, the infant son of Frederick and Cordelia Collings. Services conducted by the pastor—"Suffer the children to come unto me."

A. A. R.

KINGHORN.—At Fredericton, April 18, after a lingering illness, William, son of the late Rev. Wm. Kinghorn, aged 43 years. Bro. Kinghorn was well and favorably known to many throughout the province; for a number of years he had been engaged as organizer of the I. O. F. He was a man of sterling qualities, noble and upright, consistent and true. For a number of years he has been a valued member of the church in this city, and has held office as Clerk and Trustee. His family—a devoted wife, three sons and one daughter—will miss him much, and have our sympathy and prayers. The funeral, on the 20th was conducted by the pastor who feels to have sustained personal loss in bro. Kinghorn's death.

F. C. H.

URQUHART.—At Bellisle Bay, Kings Co. April 23, of pneumonia Mary A. beloved wife of Wm. Urquhart, aged 68 years, leaving a sorrowing husband, two sons, two brothers, and one sister to mourn their loss. Sister Urquhart was highly respected and esteemed as a devoted follower of Jesus. Funeral service by the writer.

C. B. LEWIS.

MORGAN.—At her late residence St. John St., Fredericton, May 3rd, Mrs. Odub Morgan, aged 70 years. Sister Morgan has been an invalid for some considerable length of time and unable to attend public service, but her attachment to Jesus Christ was very strong, and sweet indeed was his loving fellowship. She was, at her own request, buried in the Pickard burying ground, Douglas.

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DISTRICT MEETINGS.

The First District Meeting, Lower Perth, Victoria county, the first Friday in July, 1902, at 2 p. m. To attend—Rev. A. W. Currie, Rev. A.

D. Paul, Rev. G. W. Foster, Rev. J. Henderson, Rev. Henry Hart, Rev. C. T. Phillips and Rev. S. J. Perry.

Second District Meeting, at Lindsay, Carleton county, the Friday preceding the fourth Saturday of June, 1902, at 10 o'clock, a. m. To attend—Rev. F. C. Hartley, A. B.

Third District Meeting, at Gibson, York county, the first Friday in September, 1902, at 2 p. m. Rev. J. J. Barnes to preach annual sermon.

Fourth District Meeting, at Rusiagornish, S. Co., the second Friday in September, 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m. To attend—Rev. A. J. Prosser, Rev. H. A. Bonnell, Rev. C. B. Lewis.

Fifth District Meeting, at Bald Hill, Queens county, the first Friday in July, 1902.

Sixth District Meeting, at Dover, Westmorland county, the second Friday in July, 1902, at 2 p. m. Rev. B. H. Noble to preach annual sermon. To attend, Rev. C. T. Phillips.

Seventh District Meeting, at Seal Cove, Charlotte county, the first Saturday in August, 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m. To attend—Rev. J. N. Barnes, Rev. G. A. Hartley to preach annual sermon.

Dr. McLeod is appointed to a tend all the District Meetings.

FORMS FOR REPORTS.

Forms for Reports of Churches and Reports of Sunday Schools, and blanks for the use of churches in making up their lists of contributions to the Conference fund and other denominational funds, have been sent to the Clerks of the First, Second, Fifth and Sixth District, for distribution to the churches of their respective Districts.

Jos. McLeod, Cor. Sec. General Con.

APPOINTMENTS.

The following places will be visited, and services held by the Conference missionary, Rev. E. S. Parker, B. A. on dates stated:

Long Point church, Thursday, May 22nd, evening.

Narrows, Friday, May 23rd, evening.

Q. M. Notice

APPOINTMENTS FOR MAY.

Rev. J. N. Barnes, the missionary of the Woman's Mission Society will (D. V.) attend the following appointments:

Coldstream, C. Co., 10.30 a. m., Sabbath, May 25th.

Windsor, C. Co., 3 p. m. Sabbath, May 25th.

Temple, Y. Co., 10 a. m., Sabbath, June 1st.

Middle Southampton, 3 p. m., Sabbath, June 1st.

Pastors and deacons will kindly announce these appointments. A collection for the missions will be taken at each meeting.

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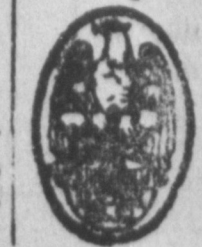
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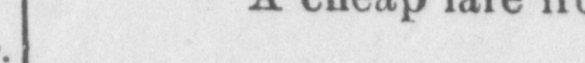
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