

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES.

Rev. I. F. and Mrs. Keirstead are carrying on good work on their new field. They include Royalton, Somerville and Listerville. They are holding two services every Sunday at Royalton and one service at Somerville every Sunday and one at Listerville every two weeks, and will continue this as long as the roads are good. This field should appreciate these services. The people are very kind to their new pastor and wife.

Rev. H. C. Archer has taken up his residence at Millville, and we trust his health will become good.

Rev. H. S. and Sister Mullen will probably return to our work in the very near future, after spending several months in Ohio. We will be glad to welcome them with us again.

We have received no report of the quarterly meeting recently held by the First District at Victoria. Indirectly word comes to us that it was a good meeting.

The editor regrets his inability to attend the quarterly meeting at Grey's Mills. If the brethren persist in putting the quarterly meetings on the 15th and 30th of the month, or just before those dates, the editor will be unable to attend—a good way to get rid of him.

The Hartland parsonage has not only been cleared of debt and the mortgage burned but a fund also has been started to keep it in repairs.

A brother, A.R. Rigby, not a member of our church, set a good example for any farmer to follow. He was not in a position to make a donation at the time the money was raised for the parsonage, but he set aside two rows of turnips, the proceeds of which were to go to the parsonage fund. When the turnips were sold the proceeds amounted to \$22.25, and as the parsonage had already been cleared of debt, this amount is being used in some much needed repairs.

The Hartland Missionary Society has voted to take up the support of a native worker in South Africa in addition to its regular gifts for missionary purposes.

Rev. H. S. Dow preached at Perth Sunday afternoon, the 14th inst., good attendance and an encouraging meeting was held. A social service will be held there on Sunday mornings and Thursday evenings.

It is reported to us that Rev. Henry Smith has decided not to continue pastor of the Meductic circuit and has left there and will preach at Crystal, Maine.

The Woodstock Praying Band visited Meductic on the 21st inst. and Brother F. T. Wright preached there on the 28th.

Rev. C. S. Hilyard says: Our work is going on here very well with good attendance at Sunday services.

The new church at Wood Island, Grand Manan, is being erected. The frame up, roof covered and flood laid.

Dr. C. J. Fowler.

We regret to learn that Rev. C. J. Fowler, D.D., editor of the Christian Witness, and the recognized leader in the holiness movement in the New England States, had a stroke of paralysis while visiting his daughter at St. Johnsbury, Vt.

It takes a great faith to reach the place of a mighty blessing—"Strengthened with might in the inner man."

COAST TO COAST HOLINESS CONVENTIONS UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE NATIONAL HOLINESS ASSOCIATION.

Will begin at Moncton, N. B., Oct. 14-19. St. John, N. B., Oct. 21-26. Fredericton, Oct. 28th-Nov. 2nd. Woodstock, Nov. 4-9. Fort Fairfield to be arranged. Workers. Rev. C. W. Ruth, Indianapolis, Ind.; Rev. Bud Robinson, Pasadena, Cal.; Rev. W. H. Huff, Sioux City, Iowa; Evangelist Kenneth Wells and wife, Singer and Pianist.

These meetings will be held in the Reformed Baptist Churches in the above named places.

PERSONALS.

A. K. MacCallum, who was seriously injured by a fall in the Moncton Church in March last by falling from a staging began work again at the C. N. R. shops last week.

We are sorry to learn that Brother S. Hayden Shaw, of Hartland, is in a very feeble state of health—but glad to know his Christian life record is excellent.

Glad to receive a letter from Evangelist George J. Kunz of Syracuse, N. Y.—Greeting Brother Kunz.

Mrs. C. E. Freeze and son, Harold, of Moncton, N. B., returned from a three months' visit at Vancouver, B. C., last week. Mrs. Freeze was accompanied by her sister.

Brother Wilford MacCallum and family are spending their vacation at Nixon, Albert Co., N. B.

Brother Stephen Tuck and daughter, Mrs. Charles Cook, of Moncton, are spending a month visiting relatives in Newfoundland.

Brother W. A. Hopper and wife, of Moncton, have returned after spending two weeks vacation visiting friends at Hartford, Conn.

Miss Luella R. Brown, who was so seriously injured by snow falling from a building in Fredericton last spring, has so far recovered as to resume her work again in the C. N. R. office at South Devon, N.B.

Brother S. B. Charlton has moved his family to 25 Russell street, West Somerville, Mass. They now attend Rev. W. E. Smith's Church services.

Rev. H. H. Cosman after much pressure by the people, has decided to remain where he has been preaching during the past year. His address is in Houlton, Me., R. F. D. 1.

MISSIONARY FUND.

Mrs. D. H. Nixon (Native Worker) \$30.00
F. W. Nixon Memorial Fund500.00

It will be remembered that Brother F. W. Nixon was killed a few weeks ago. His widow and children and parents and brothers contributed the above amount to the Reformed Baptist Missionary Board, the interest to be given annually into the missionary funds, as a Memorial for husband, father, son and brother.

ONE RESULT OF PROHIBITION.

The following is from the Boston Post of Sept. 5th:

There is indication that prohibition will tend to jeopardize some of the jobs at the Deer Island house of correction, for the big slump in the number of prisoners at the institution has resulted in the abandonment of the turreted structure that for 70 years has been used as a prison.

By order of Mayor Peters, issued last night, a structure originally built as a woman's prison is to be the bastille at the island after the shutters are placed on the massive building that for so many years has been pointed out from harbor craft as the material meaning of the term "down duck."

Because of the drop in the "population" the cost of maintaining the island has decreased from \$365,679 in 1915 to \$202,403 for the present year, and the cost for 1920, based on the comparative absence of malefactors, is placed by the Mayor at \$168,500.

That things are decidedly idle at the island is amply evidenced by the fact that while 1100 unfortunates were imprisoned there in 1915, the number at present is a bare 300, and according to authoritative statements "still decreasing."

Friends of Sanford Bates, the penal institutions commissioner, are wondering about his future in the event of this great shortage of prisoners continuing on the present daily ratio of increase.

"Pretty soon Deer Island will have less than 100 prisoners, and then Charles street jail will be ample for all," is the prediction made by a City Hall official last night.

The shifting from the old building to the smaller will mean, says the Mayor, in the item of fuel, a saving of one-third the annual expenditure.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Frederick Gordon.

Suddenly— Mr. Frederick Gordon was instantly killed on Aug. 29th while hauling in hay, a pulley-block fell and struck him on the head. Brother Gordon was an active member of the U. B. Church at Seal Cove, Grand Manan. While he was 86 years of age he was a very active man. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Morse, assisted by Rev. C. S. Hilyard in the United Baptist Church.

POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE—WHICH?

The Christian Witness recently published this editorial utterance, which we heartily second:

"A brother said to us recently on a mooted question, 'Both sides claim me.' We instantly felt like saying that we liked to be counted on the side of our conviction. We want men to know where we stand and not have to guess. Jesus said, 'I would thou wert either hot or cold.' He implied that these lukewarm characters nauseated Him. We owe it to the truth and also ourselves to let men know what we believe and why we believe it. The man who can slip along easily, and be claimed by both sides hurts himself and is disloyal to the truth. He may be popular, but he has made himself a moral degenerate. We are commanded to sanctify the Lord God in our hearts and be ready to give a reason for the hope that is within us. The man over whom people have to guess as to his belief in the second work of grace is no real friend of holiness."