

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES.

Rev. P. J. Trafton has been given a unanimous call to the Moncton Church, but declines to accept the call.

Rev. E. W. Lester has accepted a call to the Hartland circuit.

Rev. L. J. Alley reports his work as growing, and the interest increasing; new voices are heard in testimony, and seems we are on the verge of victory. On April 16th, he baptized one and gave the hand of fellowship to two persons.

Two were baptized and four received into the Church by the pastor on the evening of April 30th at Moncton, N. B.

Rev. C. S. Hilyard reports about twenty persons were at the altar in the last two weeks.

Rev. W. B. and Sister Wiggins have put in a busy winter at Fredericton in supply for the brethren, and attending the services and helping in the work. It is a grand thing for the pastor to have some one to give help in case of him being away, or unable to take his services.

There are ministers who are changing, and there are churches who require pastors, let them get in touch with each other. Brethren Archer, H. C. Mullen and others have hesigned and purposing to change.

Rev. L. T. Sabine has declined a call to the Port Maitland and Sandford, N. S., circuit for the seventh year. We presume that he is open for correspondence with some of the other churches.

Rev. R. C. Potter has gone to Toronto, having resigned as pastor of the church at Norton, N. B.

Rev. I. F. and Mrs. Keirstead spent three Sundays each at Mercer Settlement in special services, with good results. Mrs. Keirstead was called away by the serious illness of her sister.

There is considerable changing among our ministers this spring. This involves considerable hard work and expense, but all have served the churches they are leaving for long terms, and a change will doubtless be very beneficial to both pastors and people.

A letter from Rev. H. S. Dow, which states that he has decided not to accept the call of the Fort Fairfield church, to remain another year. He has two other calls, but has not decided as yet.

Report says that Rev. H. C. Mullen will become pastor of Beals, Maine, church.

The new church at Wood Island, Grand Manan, N. B., is to be dedicated the first of June during the quarterly meeting to be held at Seal Cove. The brethren who can attend these meetings are assured of a cordial welcome. There is about \$1,200 to be raised to free the new church from debt, and the brethren will be glad for any assistance given them. These people are very generous and in turn are worthy of liberal help.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 will convene with the church at Waterville, Carleton Co., beginning Thursday evening, June 1st, lasting over the Sabbath. The last quarterly meeting was a grand success. Let us make this a better one!

B. M. Colpitts, Secy.

PERSONALS.

We are sorry to learn that Sisters Mrs. S. Hayden Shaw and Mrs. J. D. Shaw, of Hartland, are in poor health, but we hope that the spring weather will reinvigorate them and that they may be restored, and be able to attend the camp meetings.

Sister A. A. Tracey, of West Somerville, Mass., has just returned from a very pleasant visit with Sister Mrs. Dr. Taylor, of Norfolk, Virginia.

Our dear brother, Deacon G. G. Gray is suffering with lameness and rheumatism. It is little wonder, for Brother Gray has been a very hard worker all of his long life time, and a diligent representative of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Sister Mrs. Edward Sullivan, of Easton, N. S., says: I love the Highway, and its pages, and it would be hard for me to do without it. My testimony is that Jesus saves and keeps me under his precious blood. To God be the praise and glory.

Brothers L. A. Morrell and Joseph Saunders have been elected deacons of the Fredericton Church.

Our aged sister, Mrs. S. A. Hopkins, of Presque Isle, Maine, will make her home for the summer months at 44 Blake street, Presque Isle.

Arnold Brown, son of Byron Brown, of Lower Brighton, is quite sick with typhoid fever. Miss Gladys Colpitts, of Woodstock, is the trained nurse.—Woodstock Press.

MISSIONARY FUND.

Sandford, N. S., Sunday School.....\$10.00
Mrs. Stanley Churchill 5.00
S. A. BAKER, Treas.

HIGHWAY SUPPLEMENTARY FUND.

Previously acknowledge\$303.00
S. A. BAKER, Treasurer.

THE PREACHER A PROPHET.

By the Rev. Prof. J. F. McFadyan, India.

"But wherefore went ye out? To see a prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet."

The highest secret of John's power lay in the fact that he was a prophet, with a message that came straight from the heart of God, and went straight to the heart of the people. His preaching was an appeal to the conscience—"Repent, turn from your sin; God's judgment is at hand"—and a call to keep the commandments.

Sometimes we seem to have learned almost too well the lesson of Christ's charity—so well that we are almost afraid to suggest that anything done by a "Christian" brother may possibly be unchristian. We remind ourselves that there may be explanations which do not appear on the surface, and that to know all is to forgive all.

But to become so very charitable that we cannot tell a man he is doing wrong is the first step towards treating our own shortcomings with an equal toleration. This is no plea for harshness. Let us make

all due allowances for the temptations and weaknesses of the erring. Let us be very sure of our facts before we judge them. But we must never by our speech or by our silence leave them with the impression that sin is not a serious thing, the most serious thing in life. While not abating one jot of Christ's presentation of the Gospel of forgiveness, neither must we narrow by a hair's breadth the great gulf that is fixed between good and evil.

The preacher must be a man of unshaken conviction, ready for sacrifice and suffering, and able to appeal to the conscience, as a true prophet of God.

MOVIES IN BAD.

District Attorney Matthew Brady, of San Francisco, who directed the prosecution in the first two Arbuckle trials, made some comments on the movies recently, which will meet with the hearty approval of the general public. He compared them to the saloon in their rottenness and in their disposition to rule our politics. He declared that the saloon, by putting its hands on police forces, legislators and other government officials and by forcing them to do its bidding, created the sentiment against it which led to its overthrow.

He asserted that the movies are attempting to do about the same thing; that they are without shame and that instead of rendering useful, public service, they are demoralizing, especially to the young, and are rotten to the core.

His indictment may or may not be true; but there is no disputing the fact that the moving picture business is in bad favor and that it has no one to blame but itself for its desperate condition.

Very largely it has fallen into the hands of men who have utterly failed to recognize their obligations to the public. Movie actors who could command great salaries because of some trick or oddity have been paid salaries greater than a king's ransom and have spent them like drunken sailors.

The people are getting tired of it all. A few more murders a few more trials a few more questionable divorce suits and a little more rottenness will do the work. The moving picture business will come down with a crash and on the wreck and ruin will be built something more in accordance with the desires of the people and with decency.

Brady strikes the right note.—National Enquirer.

MOTTOES OF METHODISM.

I have found that even the precious doctrine of salvation by faith has need to be guarded with the utmost care, or those who hear it will slight both inward and outward holiness.—John Wesley.

O may I still from sin depart;
A wise and understanding heart,
Jesus, to me be given:
And let me through thy Spirit know
To glorify my God below,
And find my way to heaven.

—Charles Wesley.

"A country is not made great by the number of its square miles, but by the number of its square people."