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## BAPTIST HISTOR Of these Lower Provinces.

COUNTY OF DIGBY.

CHAPTER XXXI. The"Second Digby Neck Church" was organized in 1836. Its members are principally residents of Sand y Cove and Little River, two thickly-populated localities, situated four miles apart. The former is a Port of entry of some commercial importance, to which belong several vessels that are employed in the European and West-India. trade, while others are engaged in coasting or fishing. Sandy Cove, too, enjoys, from its position, great facilities for taking codfish, pollock, mackerel and herrings, which at certain seasons of the year, are abundant in both adjacent bays. At this piace there is a spacious and well-finished Baptist Meeting-house, which was completed and opened for worship in 1849. At Little River too there is another building that was erected for the same purpose many years ago; but the increase of population and of wealth is already forcing upon the consideration of the brethren there the necessity of a new one, which will be more in

In both these localities Father Towner preac ed the Gospel fifty-nine years ago, and was inst rumental in sowing the imperishable seeds of Father Crandall, too, ten years later, came there on the same divine errand, and the same results follow ed. Thus originated a religious interest in the places referred to, which we trust will not be extinct when the archangel, with hand uplifted to heaven, shall swear that time shall be no longer.

harmony with the growth of the Church, and with

the improved circumstances of the people.

After the organ ization of the Second Digby Neck Church, the re is little of interest in its his-The in-gathering to Zion at that memorable pe ing was now succe-ded by songs deliverance. riod greatly encoura ged and strengthened the Sunday came—the day was bright and cloudhands of both Pastor and people. In 1851, as the less-and the air was genially warm and pleasant result of a protracted meeting at Sandy Cove, a The sea shore was thronged by a large crowd, merely Roman Catholics, I mean men who stand obvious, deprived us of this gratification. The few more were added to the Church. The four while thirty converts were baptized, alternately, succeeding years were years of trial to the Pastor by the Pastor and Brother Randall. Our readers Catholics or Protestants, Methodists, Baptists, by the Committee, and entrusted to our discretiand of discouragement to the brethren. The will see that this must have been a mighty spi- Presbyterians or what not. Church may be said to have been in the furnace ritual movement to produce such sudden and unnternal defection than from outward hostility.

pleased with the idea of having a resident clergyman in their midst, and all contributed to his support. For a time, matters moved smoothly, and each strove to be foremost in administering to the necessities of the necessities of the Minister. A length, he felt it to be his duty to take a decided stand against int emperance, sabbath-breaking, and Mr. Editor and Dear Brother,other prevailing sins. This course was distasteful to the drunkard; and men of profane habits and others took offence because he inculcated from the pulpit the distinguishing doctrinal sentiments soon aroused a spirit of animosity against him-Men, who were willing to sustain him while he sent moment GoD had marked out; He knew preached "smooth things," averred that, as they that in such a path I would tread, and His Procontributed to his support, he was doing very vidence sustained me when I was in open rebelwrong to utter a word that was denominational in lion against Him, and His hand was over me for its tendency, or fraught with reproof to those who good when, to all human appearance, I was for- and having also severally expressed their sentiloeed the drunkard's cup, or were guilty of other saken of God and man! And since He graciousopen acts of immorality. Some, indeed, owing to ly opened my eyes and put his Holy Spirit withthe causes specified, became so inflamed with en- in me, making me love and delight in Him, and mity, that they threatened, by withholding their love and delight in telling others what He has pecuniary support, to compel him to withdraw done for my once Infidel soul, I can see His hand from his field of labour. But the Church, at this daily leading me, and a loving, gentle, kind, hand its walls. This storm, however, was succeeded by I believe in particular Providence, I believe that came the centre of attraction to almost the whole has lived to see the spirit of hostility affainst him for the work chosen, namely, Moses and Aaron, ed closely round, to listen to the conversation the sessions of our Conference. Their presence, almost wholly allayed, and the community gene- also leads me a poor despised reformed rally cherishing towards him feelings of triend drunkard and very happy converted Intidel, ship and respect. Many who were formerly of- nd this God, brother, I feel assurred will be for his faithfulness.

Church had been struggling and groaning in Sabbath morning, 8th inst., to attend Church, berg as interpreter a crowded and deeply interest. your Deputation will' no doubt, give you an prayer; and in the Spring of 1855, God, who and intended to go to that branch of the visible ed congregation. After the communion in the impartial account on their return to you, had "heerd the groaning" of his people, "came Church with which I am in membership; when morning we witnessed the examination and accept- In view of what the Lord has done, and is now down to deliver them." It was indeed a day of leaving the house at which I lodge in this city ance of four candidates, and had an opportunity of doing among us, we feel encouraged perseveringnotable deliverance. A protracted meeting, which the proprietor informed me of a Baptist Church addressing to the church some affectionate, and we ly to go forward, notwithstanding the difficulties continued a fortnight, was held. Elders Randall, in the vicinity, and I went there. Now Sir, I trust salutary, counsels. On Monday we attend. and obstacles which may present themselves be Caldwell, Balcomb, and Brother Piumb assisted am fool enough to believe that God moved the ed the Conference both in the forence and the fore us, with the full assurance that He who has the Pastor during the exciting services of this ex- boarding home keeper to speak of the Baptist evening, and, at the request of the brethren, we ex\_ begun the good work will carry it on, and bless traordinery effort on the part of the Church to Church, in order that I might go there and be pressed our sentiments on several important sub. our humble instrumentality in the conversion of humble themselves before God, and implore his blessed, as I was in hearing a most faithful dis- jects. This day, in company with the German de many precious souls. There have been added to saving mercy. It was a time when the holiest course from Daniel 3rd chapter, 16th, 17th, and putation, and the principal Baptist and Lutheran our churches during the last year by baptism 1,felt that hehad need of deep repentance; and when 18th verses. To the graceless, to the pharisaical, brethren, we partook of the hospitality of Mr. Wi- 292, making the total number of Baptists in Swe- about as much value as a potato which grows in was sufficient to cleanse from all sin. The Church ranks God called me two years ago, it will seem The general impression made upon us by the and pray that the Lord will keep by His grace of humanity. Turn them out, we say, boys and

crisy vanishes—refuges of lies are abandoned— gious experience that does not make its profess- beling, together with their air of firmness and re- in the samplicity of the Gospel, amidst the conand cold formality disappears. The true peni- or happy, and VERY HAPPY, is not an experience solution, made us feel them to be a body of men tent then feels as did the Psalmist when he cried, such as all have, into whose heart God has shed from whom, under Gad's blessing, no trifling re- Those who have the oversight of these churches 'Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, abroad His love. All whom God has called sults might be expected. and know my thoughts; and see if there be any in Christ Jesus and adopted, have their trials in connexion with the proceedings of the Conwicked way in me, and lead me in the way ever- to be sure, and their infirmities, but with all they prence we may mention that the Lutheran breth-

the 1st of April; and the result was, twenty pro- the spirit of love and health and power, and of a most cordial and Christian entertainment. darkened the bright blue sky—the welcome birds language that I make use of. This letter will question of religious liberty. of early Spring were filling the air with music - not to any of them prove a stumbling-block, Through the kind foresight and arrangement of treasured up in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Cove branch still remained dry and barren. Under the days of the faithful Shadrack, Mesheck, and Diet. the circumstances, it was decided to remove the Abed: ego. There might be excuses offered for On Wednesday morning we had an interview religious services thither. Accordingly, on Mon- the idolators of those days, just as a certain spu- with Dr. R uterdahl, Archbishop of Upsala, the day evening, Elder Caldwell, whose spirit was rious and sinful style of preachers are ready in first eccle-lastic in the Swedish Church. On Thurs, burning with a message from God to the people, these days to excuse glaring iniquities and gross day afternoon, through the kind interposition of addressed a large congregation in the Sandy Cove departures from the path of moral rectitude.— the Hon. Mr. Grey, the British Charge d'Affaires grace in the he arts of some, who afterwards beMeeting-house. The effect of this sermon and the Satan in our day Sir, has his images, and he has —to whom we had a letter of commendation from clerical exhortations that followed, was unmis- his shouters, some of them in Pulpits, some of Lord Malmesbury, and whose courteous attentitakeably solemnizing. The people knew and felt them in charge of the Press, some in lowly, some ons we have most gratefully to acknowledge—we that the God of salvation was in the land. There in lofty places, all shouting the praises of the had an interview with Baron Manderstroem, the was a spiritual stirring far down in the deep places Devil's images, and all ready to cast into the fur- Swedish Minister for Foreign Affairs. On Friof many a heart. The meetings were continued nace of persecution those who refuse to fall down day we had an interview with Mr. Anjou, the Miwith increased solemnity and interest during the to Satan and his works. How eagerly the gold-nister for Ecclesiastical Affairs, to whom Count week, before the close of which it was thrilling en god is worshipped now! How many elo- Platen, the Swedish Ambassador in England, had manifest that Jehovah was graciously exerting his quent, carnal minded edifying sermons have been obligingly given us a letter of indroduction. And regenerating power. It was apparent that eter- preached under the inspirat on of Mammon - on Saturday morning we concluded our series of tory to record, (except that Elder Morse had be- nal life had been imparted, and was to be recog- How many a Church that some think was erest- calls on official personages by waiting on Count life. come its Pastor,) till 1842, when the revival in- nized in the penitential up-heavings of soul, which ed as a T-mple of the GREAT JEHOVAH, is no- Hamilton, the Governor of the City of Stockholm fluences of that remarkable season of Almighty sought vocal utterance in the impassioned ian-thing more nor less than a Temple of Mammon! to whom we had to present sincere thanks for the Grace, added a number of young converts to the guage of earnest prayer, or in alleluias of joy. Have you none of these in St. John? If you course he has pursued towards our brethren family of the saved. It was in this Revival that There was, indeed, a mighty moral transforma- have not you are a highly favored City! If you there Through an influential quarter we had Elder Morse, almost immediately after his crdit tion in Sandy Cove. For four long years the have not some of the Mammon adoring, God made an application for an audience of his Royal nation, first led believers into the baptismal waters. brethren there had been in trial; but their mourn-

Happily, however, its difficulties arose less from expected results. During its continuance, sixty professed disciples were baptized and added to When Elder Morse removed to Sandy Cove, the Church. On the first of April the Church the whole community, saints and sinners, were was apparently dark, cold, and apathetic-but on Union think you will be interested in the followthe fifteenth, a fortnight later, the whole scene ing statement :was marvellously changed. What cannot God do?

> (For the Christian Visitor.) LETTER FROM A CONVERTED INFIDEL

I am one of those simple ones who believe that tion, and that every step of my life up the prefended because of his admonitions are now thankful my God for ever and ever, and that He will be

lessed faith, and were baptized on the ensuing sound mind. All my brethren and sisters in The Conference being ended, we directed our at (To be Continued.)

BAPTIST DEPUTATION TO SWEDEN. The General Conference of the Swedish Bap-

June 12, under the presidency of the Rev. A Wiberg, elder of the Church in Stockholm. The assembly consisted of somewhat more than a huned person, and was composed of elders and members of forty-five Baptist churches in various we live moment by moment as GoD gives us parts of Sweden (all formed within period of breath, and in His good pleasure continues us in three years,) an undefined number of Lutheran being. I am also foolish enough to believe that I brethren, and of two foreign deputations-Messrs. and practices of the Baptists. This faithful course exist this moment by the Divine will and direction on the Baptists. This faithful course exist this moment by the Divine will and direction on the Baptists. selves from England. The English deputation were received with the liveliest demonstrations of interest and affection; and they having presented the letter which they bore from the Committee (which was read in Swedish by the Chairman.) ments of Christian regard, a vote of welcome was most fervently passed by the assembly, and presented to them in an address by the Chairman At two o'clock dinner was partaken of-standing, Grace, mercy, and peace from God our Father, after the manner of an English soiree, the Foreign brethren alone, together with a friend who Holy Spirit be with you for ever. trying juncture, remained firm and unmoved by it is, Brother, ever open to do me good, to clear kindly acted as interpreter, being supplied with the demon of opposition that was raging without my way, and to lead me beside the still waters. seats and a table. This little round table soon bea day of God's power, that transformed enemies the same God who made all suns, all systems, company, many of whom seemed to look with an into friends, many of whom have confessed their made me; I believe that the same God who led insatiable curiosity upon Christian brethren who E. Steane, D. D., and the Rev. J. H. Hinton, who sins, and sought forgiveness; and Elder Morse His people like a flock by the men that He had had come so far to see them, while a circle gather so kindly favored us with their presence during which the deputation carried on with several indi- together with that of the Rev. J. G, Oncken, and viduals. The interest and gratification felt by all the Rev. J. Kobner, of Germany, has been greatly parties was evidently intense.

On Sunday morning we held communion at the influnce, counsel, and kind Christian deportment, my guide even unto death of this body, I have Lord's table with the brethren, and in the even- will be crowned with a rich blessing from on Through all the difficulty just alluded to, the not the slightest doubt. I was preparing on ing we successively addressed, through Mr. Wi high. Of the general state of things among us

were in the duss—backsliders, bathed in penitenvery childish for a man to write as I do, but this aspect and proceedings of the Conference, and by all those who have named the name of Christ girls, and let them run, snuff the pure air, and be anguage, sir, does not appear foolishness to our varied intercourse with the brethren, was of faithful to the end. Our churches, which now happy. Who cares if they do ge tanned? Leaing confestions, that came from broken hearts, those who have been made partakers of like prewere publicly made. A genuine religiyus Revival
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eldest being but a little over three years old;
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have love, light, and liberty. They have not re-ren-not Baptists-who were present at it invited This series of meetings commenced on Sunday ceived the spirit of bondage again to fear, but us to dine with them on Tuesday, and gave us a

Sabbath. That baptismal occasion was delight. Christ Jesus, who take your excellent paper, and tention to another aspect of our mission; namely, ful. It was a beautiful sun-shiny day-no cloud who will read this letter, fully understand the to interviews with public men in relation to the

and the surface of the water was as smooth as a neither will any of them call it foolishness. If a personal friend of Dr. Steane—to whose assidumirror. The candidates were joyful in their obe- your readers will take the trouble to turn to Da- ous attentions throughout the whole of our visit dience—the spectators were deeply interested and niel 3d Chapter, and read it over, they will see we were deeply indebted—we had alre dy seen the solemn—the minister, with unfettered soul and much that describes the condition of the world Cnancellor of Justice, Mr. von Koch, having devotloosened tongue, was divinely aided in his solemn at the present day. We have the golden calf or ed the early part of Saturday morning to this imduty-and the Holy Spirit, though not "in a bo- golden image in our day too, as in the days of portant interview, Mr. von Koch, being about to dily shape like a dove," descended and sanctified old, and the worshippers of the Golden God are leave Stockholm on the following day. This genmany; the worshippers of the Living and true tleman kindly explained to us at some length the During this eventful week, the religious gather God are few, now, as they were in those days .- position of the question of religious liberty in Sweing had been confined to Little River, and that Idouatry is as imprudent, and bold, and base, and den, together with the views and difficulties of the branch of the Church had participated in the be- as wicked now as it was in those days, and the Government, the earnest attention of which he stowed blessings; it had been watered, and was genuine children of God are, it is to be feared, strongly assured us would be directed to the premade fruitful and flourishing, while the Sandy just as rare and few and far between now, as in paration of an acceptable measure for the next

ALMIGHTY mocking Priests and Ministers in Highness the Crown Prince, and we had reason New Brunswick, you are better off, more fortu- to think that, had it been possible, he would have nate than we Canadians are. Don't let any one granted our request; but the pressure of public be so simple as to think that by Priests, I mean bu iness, the causes of which were sufficiently in Pulpits or Preaches of the Gospel let them be Memorial to the King which had been prepared. onal use, we did not, under the circumstances. think it either necessary or desirable to present. All the official personages we saw unequivocally reiterated to us the assurances we had received DEAR SIR :- The Committee of the Baptist from Mr. von Koch, that it was a matter of universally admitted necessity to relax a law which Sweden had outgrown, and to make some well, considered concession in regard to freedom of tist A sociation commenced on Saturday morning worship; and that the Government would earnestly apply itself to the solution of this question in anticipation of the next Diet. . . .

In conclusion, we call upon the Committee, and upon all the churches for which they act, to unite with us in giving God thanks for his ab indant mercies towards us, and in prayer that the service we have willingly rendered may be acceptable to him through Jesus Christ.

EDWARD STEANE. J. H. HINTON. London, July 9th, 1858.

To this Report of the Deputation, of Committee add with much pleasure the following letter To the beloved Brethren in Christ composing the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, the Executive Committee of the United Baptist Churches in Sweden send Christian salutation. the love of Jesus, and the communion of the The Committee in behalf of the Swedish

Baptist Association tender to you their most sincere thanks for the affectionate letter received refreshing to our spirits' and we believe that their

flicting elements by which we are surrounded .are without a single exception humble, devoted Christians, some of them having made sacrifice of all their living for the maintenance of what | ing." they believe to be the only Scriptural mode of baptism. As yet we have no meeting-houses our members being generally those who are poor in the things of this world; but our trust for the future, both in things temporal and spiritual, is in the hands of Him who has promised to supply. all our wants out of His inexaustible fullness,

We most sincerely thank you for sending the the beloved brethren, Dr. Steane and J. H. Hinton, among us May the Lord abandantly bless you and reward your labour of love. Our prayers shall follow our b eloved brethren on their home ward voyage, and we trust they will be safely res tored to the bosom of their families and you.

Beloved brethren, pray for us and the exaltation of the Redeemer's kingdom in this country In behalf of the Executive Committee,

A. WIBERG, Chairman. Stockholm, June 28th, 1853.

ONATHAN EDWARDS-HIS RESOLU

Resolved, That I will do whatsoever I think to be most to the glory of God and my own good, profit and pleasure, in the whole of my duration, without any consideration of the time whether now, or never so many myriads of ages hence.

Resolved, To do whatever I think to be m luty and most for the good of mankind in general Resolved, Never to lose one morrent of tim out to improve it in the most profitable way

Resolved, Never to do anything which I should be afraid to do, if it were the last hour of m

Resolved, To be endeavoring to find out fit ob. jects of charity and liberality.

Resolved, Nove to speak evil of any one that it shall tend to dishonor, more or less, upor no account, except for some real good.

Resolved, To maintain the strictest temperance in eating and drinking.

Resolved, To study the Scriptures so steady constantly and frequently, as that I may find, and plainly perceive myself to grow in the knowledge of the same. Then yet an institute at during

Resolved, Never to count that a prayer, nor to let that pass as a prayer, which as so made, that I cannot hope that God will answer it; nor that as a confession, which I cannot hope God wil

Resolved, Never to say anything against anybody but when it is perfectly agreeable to the highest degree of Christian honor, and of love to mankind; agreeable to the lowest humi ity and sense of my own faults and failings, and agreeable to the Golden Rule; often when I have said anything against any one, to bring it to and try i strictly by, the test of this resolution.

Resolved, To inquire every night, as I am go ing to bed, wherein I have been regligent; what sin I have committed; and wherein I have denied myself. Also, at the end of every week, mouth and year-

Besolved, To enquire every night, before I go to bed, whether I have acted in the best way I pos-

sibly could with respect to eating and drinking. Resolved, to endeavor, to my utmost, to deny whatever is not most agreeable to a good and universally sweet and benevolent, quite, peaceable contented and easy, compassionate and generous humble and meek, submissive and obliging, dil igent and industrious, charitable and even patient, moderate, forgiving and sincere temper; and to do, at all times, what such a temper would lead me to, and to examine, strictly, at the end of every week, whether I have so done.

On the supposition that there never was to be be but one individual in the world at any one time who was properly a complete Christian in all respects, of a right stamp, having Christianity always shining in its true lustre, and appearing excellent and lovely, from whatever character viewed-Resolved, To act just as I' would do, if I strove, with all my might, to be that one who should live in my time.

## THE LITTLE ONES.

Now that the warm weather has come, let you children amuse themselves out of doors. Don't keep them shut up like nouse-plants, until they become as pale and as thin as ghosts. Strip off the finery, put on coarse garments, and turn them out to play in the sand-to make " mud cakes"-to daub their faces with anything of an "earthly nature," which will have a tendency to make them look as though they had entered into a co-partnership with dirt. Keep them in the in an individual, or in a community, is a time of perience know what is meant by Ephesians 2nd at large, in all that is essentially Christian; while we feel, therefore, that much prudence and con-

CHRIST THE DOOR.

"Mamma." said little Charles to his mother after she had, one Sunday evening, been reading to him the tenth chahter of St. John, "I do no t

understand a part of what you have been read-

"What is it my child, you do not understand?" "It is, mamma, where Jesus says, 'I am the door.' How could Jesus be a door? He was a man, when he spoke these words, mamma, was

"Listen, my son, and I will try and explain it to you, so that you may understand it. A great part of the Bible is written in figurative language -that is, it likens the truth it teaches, to some other wel' known thing. Thus, in the first Psalm, the ungodly people are likened to the chaff which the wind driveth away, because chaff is of no value. And in the 13th chapter of St. Luke, 32d verse, Jesus calls King Herod a fox, because he vas in nature like that animal. And, in many places, Jesus speaks of himself in this kind of language, as in the chapter I have now read, where he calls himself the good Shepherd. Now, ny child, you know Jesus was not a shepherd but a carpenter, and, therefore, he did not mean here that he took care of sheep, but that he was tike one who did, because he takes care of those who love and serve him. Pray to God that you may be one of his lambs, my boy. So, in like

manner, he calls himself a door." "But how is he a door, mamma?"

"In this manner my child,-he is the door to neaven. You wish to go there, do you not? "Yes, mamma."

"Then you can only go through him. The same as to get into this room, you must come in, hrough the door. Some people think they can get into heaven without Jesus, by doing good works and living good lives. But they are grong; this is not sufficient; you must love Jesus, and believe on him. And have you not cause. ny boy, to love him? Did he not leave his right home above, where he was worshipped as a great King, and cone down and be born as a tttle babe, and live a life full of sor ast be put to a cruel death, that we might be nade fit to live with him forever in heaven-For you know, Charles, we very often siu against our good and kind God; and he is a just God. and does not like sin ; therefore, we ought justly to be punished; but Jesus has borne our punishnent for us, and made us fit for heaven. This is how he is the door."

How must I enter this door, mamma?" If you believe from your heart that he suffered all his suffering for you, you must love him; and and if you love him, you will try to de as he tells you. This is how you may enter."

## LIFE'S DARK SIDE.

It is certain that whatever sunbeams God has hrown across our path-and his mercy has made hem both bright and numerous-there are also clouds to cast their shadows over every career, however prosperous, Few summer days pass vithout rain, and often their sultry heat brings leath with it. So every successful life has its lisapointments, every happy one its sorrows; even every Christian one its crosses. Unaaling strivings against oppression-heartless esistings of a pinching poverty—the griping denands of an avaricious selfishness-the prevalence of wickedness and depravity-these are life's lark sides, that shall never be removed till sin is lestroyed. Let this inseparable union ever be pore in mind. Sin rules with a high hand in that back street, or in you narrow lane, and by an unavoidable consequence, these are the abodes of the deepest and darkest sorrow. Personal ungodliness ever entails the stings and vexations of an uncoverted state. Family irreligion is the sure precursor of intestine tumults and heartoreaking separations. Social depravity brings prisons and work-houses, and police establishments with it. Life's dark side is life's sinning side. Fvery time we lift the hand of rebellion against God, we throw its shadows of sorrows back on ourselves. Strive to make life holy, to crush sin in your heart, and rebuke it abroad, to guide your steps by the lamp of God's truth.-You will thus brighten life, and lessen its dark shades while the reflection of your good works may throw a gleam of sunshine on the career of another, less hopeful or more sinful than your

A GOOD REASON FOR NOT BEING

AFRAID TO DIE. " Do you think you are prepared to die Jane?" inquired a minister of a little girl one day. She paused for a moment, and then slowly

" I trust I am sir ; I do not think I am afraid to

"Why are you not afraid to die Jane?" "Because, sir,,' she answered, while a soft smile passed over her face, "Ithink I love Jusus.

Who is rich? Diogenes in his tub was rich in the wealth and warmth of the sun. It is he who has much and wants more, who is poor, and he who has little and is therewith content, is rich.

DURATION OF LIFE.-In England the average of withstanding the superior French cilimate.