

# Historical Sketch Of United Baptist Church

## Interesting Review of Church History Given By Dr. J. A. Clark At Largely Attended Congregational Meeting Last Night.

The following record of events and people who founded and maintained the United Baptist Church of Charlottetown, was given by Dr. J. A. Clark at last night's congregational meeting, held in connection with the celebration this week of the church's 100th anniversary:

"This Church took its rise under the following circumstances—Brother Thos. DesBrisay having been convinced that believer's immersion was the only scriptural mode of baptism, was baptized by Rev. Charles Tupper, October 1827. Others followed in the same steps; and in the spring of 1835 the brethren commenced holding prayer meetings. Soon after this a room was rented and fitted up for preaching which would seat about 100 persons."

"Rev. Benjamin Scott attended the meetings occasionally and preached. Rev. George McDonald

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by request organized the church in August, 1836. Brother Thomas DesBrisay was set apart as deacon. There were nine members: Thomas DesBrisay, John Uhlman, William Bain, James Caffray, Isaac Jackson, Jane Lallow, Christina C. Bagnall, Nancy Reid and Isabella Mitchell.

The church became formally connected with the Nova Scotia Baptist Association in the Summer of 1837. It then had twenty-one members and in the autumn of that year it enlarged its place of worship to hold over two hundred persons.

### First Church Opened

In the year 1842 the church began to raise money for the erection of a house of worship which was completed and opened on August 24th, 1845. This church building stood on the corner of Upper Prince and Euston Streets. In July 1850 a Sunday School was organized and Thomas Broadwell appointed superintendent.

Early in the year 1853 the church building was moved to a site on Great George Street between Dorchester Street and the building occupied by the Marine, Public Works and Customs Departments. The Prince Edward Island Baptist Association was formed in March 1854, and the Charlottetown Baptist Church became a member. The church soon found that they were not receiving the assistance that they had previously had so they broke off from the Island Association April 16th, 1856 and joined the Nova Scotia Eastern Association.

In the year 1868 the Prince Edward Island Baptist Association was reorganized and the Charlottetown Baptist Church concurred in

the movement and rejoined that Association.

### Missionary Society Organized

The Woman's Missionary Aid Society of the Charlottetown Baptist Church was organized in 1872. The church increased in numbers and under the leadership of Rev. D. G. McDonald a large modern church home was built on the corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets which was formally opened on December 14th, 1879. This building was of brick, octagonal in shape, and cost about \$20,000.00. Thomas Alley was the architect and William and David Fraser the builders. The tower of the church building was destroyed by fire in 1886 and on May 15th, 1888 this fine church building was destroyed by a conflagration that burned most of the buildings on the city block.

The church was without a house of worship and had about \$5,000 debt. The large hall of the Young Men's Christian Association was secured where the usual services were held from May 15th 1888 to October 1889. Rev. J. A. Gordon came to the church as pastor in March 1889 and led during the most difficult period of its history. The school room of the new church building was so far completed that regular services were held in it from October 20th 1889 until January 11th, 1891 when the present splendid building was opened. The cost of this building was about \$12,000 Mr. C. B. Chappell was the architect and Mr. C. W. Cox the builder.

The parsonage was built under the leadership of Rev. G. R. White. The cost was about \$2,800. Mr. John P. Nicholson was the architect and Lowe Brothers the Builders. The debt of the church was reduced from time to time so that on the 90th birthday of the Charlottetown Baptist Church the mortgages were all burned on Monday evening November 1st, 1926. During the difficult financial period since that time extra expenditures for heating and necessary repairs have been taken care of from current revenue or financed by note at the bank duly authorized by the church.

### MEMORIAL TABLET ERECTED

On February 15th, 1911 the church by resolution granted permission to the Ministerial Group of Baptists then resident in Prince Edward Island to erect a Memorial tablet to the memory of the late Rev. G. R. White, B.A. Memorial windows were placed in the West gable to the memory of Rev. Samuel McLeod and another group of three windows were placed in the East end of the church to the Memory of Mr. George Davies. These memorial windows at the East of the church auditorium were removed, when the large pipe organ was installed, and stored. During the summer of 1932 these were built over and placed about the middle of the north side of the church. At the same date a window in memory of Mr. A. W. Sterns was placed next one of these. In 1933 windows in memory of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Gordon and Mr. Donald Nicholson were placed by their respective families just west of the other windows on the north side of the church.

A Tablet in memory of the members and those associated with the church who gave their lives for their country in the Great War of 1914-1919, and in Honour of those who served was placed on the wall of the church on July 6th 1931.

The records indicate that more than twelve hundred persons have been members of the Charlottetown Baptist Church. It is impossible to refer in these notes to more than a few. The names of the first nine members have been given. The first Pastor, Rev. Benjamin Scott, engaged in March 1837 "was a good man full of faith." He formed or built Baptist Churches at Alex-

andra, North River, St. Peter's Road Charlottetown, Grand River and Cavendish. Rev. John Knox, M.D. was an eloquent preacher. He suffered from blindness for some years before his death. Rev. Silas T. Rand the Great Missionary to the Micmacs was devoutly pious. He was a wonderful linguist and a talented author. Rev. W. H. Hobbs was a man of great enthusiasm and ability. A very successful missionary.

### MR. DESBRISAY'S DEATH

During the pastorate of Rev. C. J. Burnett, Mr. Thomas DesBrisay died (1857). He was the first member, first deacon, the principal support and most active office-bearer in the early years of the church. That same year when without a pastor, Mr. James DesBrisay read Spurgeon's sermons to the assembled congregation. Rev. John Davis was a man of vigorous intellect, an able preacher, and a writer of more than ordinary versatility. Of Rev. W. B. Haynes it is recorded that he was "a student of Mr. Spurgeon's college." Under his leadership many were added to the church.

Death came to Mr. Donald Nicholson, November 8th, 1874. He was a man of faith and prayer and had faithfully served the church as deacon for twenty-one years. Under the direction of Rev. D. G. McDonald a new church was built; the Week of Prayer had its beginning in the city; he was given a 12 months leave of absence to collect monies for the new church, and gave an address at the formal opening December 14th, 1879. Rev. Herbert Foshay was pastor during Mr. McDonald's absence and a very pleasant social evening was spent by the church with their pastor prior to his leaving to take up his new pastorate at Sussex, N. B. It was during Rev. Edward Whitman's pastorate that the church suffered from two fires. The church tower was burned in 1886 and the church destroyed in May 1888. Many were added to the church following a series of special meetings held during January 1886 by the pastor whose text the previous Sunday was "Speak to the Children of Israel, that they go forward." (Continued on page twelve)

### TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox Farming



There will be classes for silver foxes in connection with the Maritime Winter Fair at Amherst, November 7th to 12th. Entries will be accepted up to October 29th and foxes must be registered in the Canadian National Fox Breeders Association and from registered ranches only. Exhibits must be in their places in the show room by nine P. M. Friday evening, November 6th. They will be classified on Saturday, November 7th, and judging will commence at nine o'clock Monday morning, November 9th.

The classes are practically the same as those at the Provincial show Charlottetown. Quite a number of exhibitors from this province are going over. Money prizes are, for from one to five exhibits, 1st, \$7.00; 2nd, \$6.00; 3rd, \$5.00; 4th, \$4.00. Six exhibits or over a fifth prize of three dollars will be given. Ribbons up to fifth place will be awarded in each section. There are fourteen championships with cups or shields donated for each.

In last week's notes were extracts from an article by E. W. Brampton, Associate Professor of Animal Nutrition, Macdonald College, Quebec, in which he advocated the feeding of fish to replace meat once or twice a week. He stated that fish when used should be cooked since raw fish is a potent source of parasites to which these animals are very susceptible.

This summer on various occasions I noticed the raw fish that was being prepared for grinding and it was not at all difficult to discern small worms in them. Whether these would find a host in the fox and develop was something that I could not be sure of, but evidently such is the case or Dr. Brampton would not have stated it. It would be well, therefore, for fox ranchers who have been feeding fish as part of the diet to use a good re-

liable worm capsule for their foxes this fall. It can do no harm even if the animals do not harbor worms, and if they do it will prove of great good.

If you believe in the use of wheat germ as an aid to production because of its Vitamin E, you should start feeding it as an accessory right away. The three known sources of Vitamin E are wheat germ, lettuce and liver. Lettuce, of course, is out of season now, liver is very expensive, so we must fall back on wheat germ. It can form from five to ten per cent of the cereal portion of your diet. Only the foxes that you are keeping for breeding purposes need be fed it as the pellets of course do not require it and it is not of any benefit from a fur standpoint.

The weather is getting cool now and it will afford you an excellent opportunity to look over your foxes carefully for earmites and fleas. The reason I say carefully is because a cursory examination often fails to reveal these dangerous foes of the fox. The principal parts to examine for fleas are brush, neck and head. If you see evidence of mites—that is little white specks—you can be sure that if there are no fleas they will soon develop.

Earmites are more or less present in all ranches and the safest method is to treat the foxes with one of the many earmite remedies that are on the market and so easily procurable. The operation is so simple and requires so little time that there is no excuse for not doing it.

A short time ago I mentioned that it would be good idea to clean up the pens, removing all dirt and excreta from them because if left until the later fall you would likely be too busy and then perhaps there would be nothing done and the cold weather would arrive preventing work. Quite a number have told me that they have taken advantage of the advice and seemed pleased that I had brought it to their attention.

The next two or three months are most important to us all because during that period we will either prepare good pellets for market or brownish, indifferent ones. One of the principal things in connection with the preparation of good pellets is cleanliness of pens and dens. If dirty straw and excreta are allowed to accumulate in a pen or compartment where the foxes are the ammonia given off will brown the belly fur and also the sides to some extent even if only small quantities are present. If large quantities are present the whole pelt will be browned.

Ammonia is given off much more heavily in mild, misty or rainy weather and it is then that the greatest danger is done. You will find it a little more expensive to clean out and renew the straw frequently and to wash out the compartments so as to neutralize or rid them of urine products, but it is the best investment you ever made.

Last fall the ranch with which I am connected used a tremendous amount of straw and a whole lot of labor, because as you will remember it was a very rainy fall; but by doing so we kept our pellets pretty clear and were well satisfied with them considering the abnormal conditions.

Another cause of brown pellets is over-feeding, particularly of rich or fatty foods or getting foxes too fat. A very fat fox does not usually have a real good pelt, and there is no excuse for the intelligent feeder to have his animals in that state. The third cause of brown pellets and one that has been overlooked by many ranchers, is intestinal parasites—hookworm, round worms and lungworms. True lungworm has pretty well disappeared because of floor boards, but hookworm and roundworm has not disappeared and is far more prevalent than is realized.

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Anthem—"Hark, Hark My Soul" Shells  
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Preacher, THE MINISTER.  
Evening Music:  
Anthem—"Just As I Am" Bowles  
Choir  
Organist, Mrs. Keith S. Rogers.  
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REV. HUGH MILLER, M. A., B. D.—Minister.  
REV. A. E. MACKENZIE, B. A.—Assistant Minister.  
MR. A. ROY KENDALL, L. R. A. M., A. A. G. O.—Organist

10.00 A. M.—Prayer Meeting.  
11.00 A. M.—Public Worship.  
Sermon—"ON SPEAKING TO OURSELVES"  
Rev. Hugh Miller, M. A., B. D.  
The Soloist at this service will be Miss Vera Campbell, Mus. Bac.  
Anthem—"Teach Me, O Lord" Attwood  
2.30 P. M.—Sunday School—Rally Day Service.  
7.00 P. M.—Public Worship.  
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Prof. C. H. Mercer of Halifax, Associate Professor of Modern Languages in Dalhousie University.  
The Soloist at this service will be Miss Margaret Sterns.  
Anthem—"I Will Lay Me Down in Peace" Gadsby  
There will be a short Organ Recital at 6.45 P. M.  
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MORNING  
11.00 A. M.—Subject—"The Other Little Ships."  
Anthem—"What Are These" Stainer  
2.30 P. M.—Sabbath School and Bible Classes.  
EVENING  
7.00 P. M.—Subject—"One Test of Character."  
The students of Prince of Wales College are specially invited to this service.  
Anthem—"Lead Kindly Light" Pughe-Evans  
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15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00 A. M.—Sunday School.  
11.00 A. M.—Morning Prayer, Sermon, Subject—"International Good Will and the League of Nations"—Prof. C. H. Mercer, M. A., Dalhousie University.  
Anthem—"Give Peace in Our Time" Callcott  
7.00 P. M.—Evening Prayer, Sermon by Rev. J. Eustace Purdie, D. D.  
"Lord For Thy Tender Mercies Sake" Farrant  
Organist and Choirmaster: H. R. SHEPHERD  
Minister  
REV. J. EUSTACE PURDIE, D. D.

### St. Peter's Cathedral

ROCHFORD SQUARE

Incumbent—REV. CANON MALONE, M. A., L.Th.  
8.00 A. M.—Holy Communion.  
8.40 A. M.—Matins.  
11.00 A. M.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon.  
2.30 P. M.—Sunday School.  
7.00 P. M.—Evensong and Sermon.

### Central Christian Church

REV. S. C. COOPER, TH.M., PASTOR  
MRS. V. L. DINGWELL, ORGANIST

MORNING SERVICE 11.00 A. M.  
Quartette Wyand Quartette  
Solo (Selected) Harvey Barnes, New York  
Sermon, Subject—"Working in Co-operation"  
Rev. S. C. Cooper  
AFTERNOON SERVICE, YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE  
2.30 P. M.  
Solo, (Selected) Mrs. Silas McKay  
Address Geo. W. Titus  
Subject—"Winning in Evangelism."  
EVENING SERVICE 7.00 P. M.  
Anthem—"Draw Me to Thee."  
Solo, (Selected) Miss Ruth Vickers  
Sermon, Subject—"Welcoming Into Discipleship"  
Rev. S. C. Cooper  
The Congregation welcomes the Young People's Conference of the Island Churches today.  
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