

For the last two week's Rev. COVERDALE 2ND. Isaiah Wallace and I have been engaged in special work in Coverdale. The Lord greatly blessed our united efforts. The Christians have been much revived and sinners converted. It was my privilege to baptize nine believers and receive them into the church. Though Brother Wallace is in the seventy-eighth year of his age he is capable of work that requires great physical strength. Some of us who have known him for a long time think that today he preaches with even greater power than in former years. I regard it as a privilege and honor to have been for a little time associated with him in Christian work. Bro. Wallace is now assisting Bro. Ganong at Weldon. Sinners are inquiring the way.

MILTON ADDISON.

The farewell Sabbath of our MAIN STREET. pastor, Rev. Alexander White, was one long to be remembered. At the morning service eleven converts were baptized. At night the church was filled to its utmost capacity and after an earnest evangelistic sermon the right hand of fellowship was extended to those who had been baptized. On Monday evening a very large congregation attended the farewell service which was addressed by all the Baptist ministers of the city and several of other denominations who spoke in the highest terms of our retiring pastor. The pastorate of Brother White closes under exceptionally favorable spiritual conditions, as a spirit of deep inquiry at present exists and distinctly accentuates the severance of the pastor's relation.

CHURCH CLERK.

Notice.

We finish with this issue the story "The Coming of Caroline," and in the next issue we will begin another very interesting serial called "Rosecroft," written by Clara Broughton Conant. It will interest both young and old. It will last through about twenty numbers of this paper. Now is a good time to take advantage of our offer made in the last paper in March to get the H. M. JOURNAL free until July next to any one who will subscribe for it from July 1903 to July 1904. In this way they will get eighteen months papers instead of one year. As we have back numbers we can supply them with, from Jan. last. We are very thankful for remittances from some of those to whom we wrote; and hope to hear from others soon. We will extend to them the offer we made until the close of this month, but not any later. Now friends let us hear from you soon, and very much oblige,

Yours respectfully,
J. H. HUGHES.
St. John, N. B., April 4th, 1903.

Bishop Fowler says the difference between "Crankification" and "Sanctification" is that the former is the distinctive quality of a religious fault-finder and the latter the mark of the true Christian, who has a deep, abounding love and charity for all men. "All men are the children of one God, the Loving Father of All," say all Holy Men. True Christianity is a Christian Optimism that is all-comprehensive, and not limited to "Crankism" or "Fanaticism," and sees for all mankind a brighter and better day dawning, when Poisonous Pessimism will not exist.

Can You Hold On?

By Rev. A. T. Pietsen, D. D.

Did you ever read the story of John Maynard? He was a pilot on the northern American lakes, and one time when he was guiding a great vessel and was coming near to the shore of Ohio it was discovered that the vessel was on fire. The flames were spreading with great violence, and the passengers were huddled together mad with despair. John Maynard stood at the wheel, the flames rising about him. The shore was only a few hundred yards away, and if he could stand at his post he might be able to beach the vessel, although a powerful wind was blowing against them. And the captain through his trumpet said: "John Maynard!" "Aye, aye, sir!" "Are you there, Maynard?" "Aye, aye, sir!" "Can you hold on?" "I'll try, sir!" There was perhaps five or ten minutes of silence. The flames were momentarily gaining in violence and power. Once more the captain, through his trumpet, said: "John Maynard!" "Aye, aye, sir!" "Can you hold on?" "I'll try, sir!" and he took his right hand off from the wheel, burned to a crisp, and put his left hand on the wheel to be burned. John Maynard beached the vessel and saved every life on board, but John Maynard's soul went up in a chariot of fire to the presence of God.

It seems to me that some of those who have departed this life are calling down to us that seek to stand by the ship in the midst of influences that threaten to destroy her, and they say, "Can you hold on?" and we respond, "By the grace of God we will hold on, and if the right hand is burned at the wheel it shall be replaced by the left, if need be, to be burned." But one jot or tittle we will not give up of this inspired Bible, the Word of the living God.

Married.

LONDON SMITH. At the parsonage, Centerville Carleton Co., N. B., March 21 by Rev. B. S. Freeman Douglas London to Ethel Smith, both of Bridgewater Me.

SHORT-BECKETT. At Jerusalem, at the home of the bride's father, Samuel Beckett, by Rev. S. J. Pettis, J. Alfred Short to Alice M. Beckett, both of Jerusalem.

CAMPBELL-WHITE. At the residence of the bride's step-father, Mr. Joshua Jones Royaton, N. B., by Rev. E. S. Parker B. A., Mr. David H. Campbell and Miss Ethel J. White, both of Royaton.

LEAMAN LEAMAN. At the residence of the bride's father, March 21, by Rev. Gideon Swin, Ross Leaman and Minnie Leaman, both of the parish of Moncton.

CLARK LUTES. At the residence of Mr. Smith Brown, Mountain Road, Moncton, March 21, by Rev. Gideon Swin, Albert Clark and Hattie Lutes, both of Moncton, N. B.

SMITH-WIWE. At Baebouche March 25th, by Rev. H. O. Davis, Edward John Smith to Irene Beatrice Wiwe, both of Baebouche.

Died.

LANGIN. At Capereaux, Chipman, N. B., on 18th inst., of consumption, Gower E., son of Isaiah Langin, in the 19th year of his age. Deceased leaves parents six brothers and three sisters, besides a large circle of friends in mourning.

BURKE. At Ridge, Queens Co., N. B., March 21st, Helena Burke, aged 82 years. Sixty seven years ago, our sister gave her heart to God, she joined the church here a few years later, and was a faithful follower of the lamb to the day of her death. Needless to say, "her end was peace." She leaves 3 sons and 2 daughters to mourn the loss of a kind and loving mother.

FREEZE. On March the 25th, at his home in Penobscquis after an illness of about two months, Mr. Byron Freeze aged 57 years. Mr. Freeze was the son of Deacon Edward Freeze, one of Penobscquis most

honored and loved citizens whose memory is still precious. Mr. Byron Freeze was baptized by Rev. E. C. Corey, and was a consistent member of the church. He will be greatly missed in the community and church. He leaves a wife and four children, Mrs. Robert Pugsley of Missoula, Mont., Edwin at McGill College, Montreal, Frank and Gladys who are home.

JONES. At Bolyea Cove, Queens Co., February 19th, Anne, beloved wife of George M. Jones in the 21st year of her age, leaving a sorrowing husband, father and mother, two brothers and one sister to mourn the loss of a loving wife, kind daughter and affectionate sister. Though young in years she was resigned to the will of her heavenly father, and passed away with the blessed assurance that she was going to be with Jesus. Amiable in disposition, lovely in character and kindly of spirit she was loved by all who knew her. During her illness she talked much about Jesus, and with her dying lips declared the gospel to be the power of God unto salvation. As the end drew near she gathered her four ones around and pleaded with them to seek an interest in the finish of work of Christ that they might be prepared to meet her when partings are never known. To her it was gain to die.

McCLELAN. At Albert, Albert Co. on Feb. 16th, Joseph Obed, McClelan died of la grippe in the 53rd year of his age. He was a very exemplary man during his life and in his illness expressed confidence and hope in the dear Saviour and said he was going to be with him. His funeral service was held in the Methodist church and was conducted by Rev. J. R. King and F. D. Davidson, and although the day was unfavorably being stormy, a large concourse of people attended, showing the esteem in which he was held. He leaves an aged mother, one sister and three brothers to mourn the loss of him to their hearts. We tender to the family our tender sympathy in this sad bereavement. Five of his employees as lumbermen were his faithful bearers.

NOTES.

There is nothing so unmanageable as a concealed conscience. --Becher.

A man may have no bad habits, and have worse thoughts. --Mark Twain.

Don't make the mistake when a new man comes into the church, before you have a chance to size him up, of throwing open all the church offices to him. You are apt to be sorry for it. Instances are not wanting where the church was gladder to get rid of him after a time, than when they got him.

This is the time of year when people are supposed to settle all their indebtedness. It is a good thing to do when you have anything to settle with. Possibly the smallest bill that some of our readers will receive is the one for their HOME MISSION JOURNAL. They will have more money to pay the rest of their bills if they pay ours first.

Rev. George K. MacDonald a New York pastor, has resigned and opened a liquor saloon. He is reported as saying that he "had seen more of human nature as it is, in the few days that he has been in the liquor business than he had seen in the many years in the Baptist ministry." Any liquor seller could have told him that. Of course "the human nature" in the saloon is different from the human nature in the church, and we are glad that it is.

The dry-bones which Ezekiel saw in his vision needed only the breath of the Holy Spirit to gather the scattered parts into complete individuals, to clothe them with flesh, to quicken into life, and make them a conquering host. And if there is to be a resurrection and revival of the dry-bones in our congregations the Holy Spirit must do the work.

Truth bids us look on men as autumn leaves. And all they bleed for as the summer's dust.
--Young's Night Thoughts.