

PENNFIELD. Nothing special to report from these churches. Our work is as usual. Congregations good. I have agreed to remain with the churches here for another year. Remember us in your prayers.

T. M. MUNROE.

As a result of a three year's course of study in Christian Theism, Rev. J. W. Brown of Havelock, N. B., has lately received from the Illinois Wesleyan University of Bloomington, Ill., the degree of Ph. D.

Rev. C. W. Sables has moved from Temperance Vale to Kingsclear, York Co., and asks his correspondents to address him at the latter place.

Rev. A. J. Hughes, of East Boston contemplates a visit to this province in September, and will attend the New Brunswick Baptist Convention at Hartland.

Rev. J. H. Hughes occupied the pulpit of the First Baptist Church in Hillsboro, on Sunday last. His many friends there were pleased to hear him give the old time gospel.

Convention.

The eighth annual session of the New Brunswick Baptist Convention will open at Hartland, Carleton County, on Friday, September 13th, at 10 a. m. The Sunday School Convention will hold its sessions on Thursday preceding the regular meeting of the Convention. The Baptist Annuity Association meets with the same body on Saturday at 3 p. m. The churches and the Sabbath Schools are requested to appoint delegates so that a full attendance may be assured.

TRAVELING ARRANGEMENTS

The following arrangements are announced to delegates expecting to attend the convention at Hartland. The Steamer May Queen, the Star Line Steamers, and the Canada Eastern Railway issue free return.

The I. C. R. returns free if more than ten have standard certificates. Delegates coming by this line are advised to purchase at starting point through tickets over both I. C. R. and C. P. R. direct to Hartland. The C. P. R. returns delegates passing over that line at one-third fare, if more than fifty have standard certificates.

If less than fifty, return tickets will be half fare. In all cases delegates are advised to ask for standard certificates when starting.

W. E. M.

Charles Lamb To Young Men.

THE waters have gone over me. But out of the black depths, could I be heard, I could cry out to all those who have but set a foot in the perilous flood. Could the youth to whom the flavor of his first wine is delicious as the opening scenes of life, or the entering upon some newly discovered paradise, look into my desolation, and be made to understand what a dreary thing it is when a man shall feel himself going down a precipice with open eyes and a passive will—to see his destruction and have no power to stop it, and you feel it all the while emanating from himself; to see all godliness emptied out of him, and yet not able to forget a time when it was otherwise; to hear about him the piteous spectacle of his own ruin. Could he see me fevered eye—feverish with the last night's drinking and feverishly looking for to-night's repetition of the folly; could he not feel the body of the death out of which I cry, hourly with feeble outcry, to be delivered—it were enough to make him dash the sparkling beverage to the earth in all the pride of its mantling temptation.

The pastor of a Baptist church in Indiana has threatened to expel all members who do not pay their share of the church expenses. He is, apparently, adopting extreme measures hastily. But is it not a fact that church members who fail to support the church according to their ability should be subject to discipline in some form.

No Man Gave Up to Him.

VERY suggestive are these words in our Lord's matchless parable of the prodigal. No man gave unto him. He was reduced to the last extremity. His portion had been spent, and his means were all exhausted. He would fain have satisfied the cravings of his hunger with the swine's food. But no man gave unto him. It was largely the way of the world in those days. Helplessness evoked no pity; for one to be down was to invite still further oppression and abuse. In Greece the weak were put out of the way. In Rome the aged and infirm among the slaves were cast out to die. A pack of wolves was almost as human to the sick among them as on the whole was the world in the time of Christ to those who were helpless. It is his coming into it that has made the difference. Now ministry to the needy abounds on every side. Men give where men want. Few would pass a fallen child on the street, and few will turn away from appeals for help. The ministry of the ice fund, the excursions of the Country Week, the sanitariums established by great journals and others, all testify to this better spirit. The world's indebtedness to Jesus Christ in all directions is beyond estimate, but in no respect is it greater than in the ministry he has brought where misfortune and helplessness prevail.

Belief.

Both in the Greek and in the English tongues "Belief" is a suggestive and beautiful word. Some have supposed that its English form was derived from the Gothic "*belifjan*," and that it thus expresses the truth, the doctrine, the principle, by which a person lives or according to which he conforms his entire life. The latter part of the word is closely connected with leave, lief and love; it suggests the idea of what is dear, pleasing or lovely. The combination of the idea shows that he who is truly believed is truly loved.

Church discipline seems to be fast dropping out of the life and administration of the church. This, as the Presbyterian remarks, would be a blessed thing if it meant that there was no longer any need for it, because of the consistent, pure and noble lives of her members; but when it is remembered that many of them are merely nominal disciples, derelict in religious duty, and even doing things which bring disgrace upon the Christian name and profession, it is a cause of regret and alarm that discipline is becoming a lost art. We do not favor its indiscriminate exercise, but after other efforts for the reclamation of offenders have failed, it becomes absolutely necessary. It is neither a popular nor a pleasant procedure, but when duty calls for it, let it be undertaken in the spirit of love and fidelity, first to save the offending party, if it is possible, and if not, then to purge the body of Christ of the unworthy and of the incorrigible. The great Head of the Church has instituted it for these purposes, and he will bless its wise, loving and faithful administration.

Married.

WARD FOSTER—At the home of the bride's parents, Upper Maugeville, on June 26th, by Rev. W. Robinson, Bessie A. Foster to John L. Ward, of Maugeville, Sudbury county.

BRADLEY WEBB—At the residence of the bride's father, Gibson, on June 12th, by K. V. W. Robinson, assisted by R. V. A. D. Paul, Annie Webb to Hiram Bradley of the same place.

MCLEAN-GRANVILLE—At 20 Kennedy Street, St. John, on August 7th, by Rev. Alex. White, Charles Bartlett McLean to Anna Ethel Granville of Waterboro.

ROBINSON-ROGERS—At Surray, N. B., August 3rd, by Rev. Milton Atkinson, Stephen C. Robinson to Lydia Rogers, all of Hopewell Hill, Albert county.

JONES CHASE—At the Main Street Baptist parsonage, on July 10th, by Rev. Alex. White, William Henry Jones to Minnie Chase, both of St. John.

MCCAUSLAND-THOMPSON—At the Baptist parsonage, Fairville, on Saturday last, Rev. A. T. Dykeman united in marriage, Harry McCausland, who holds a responsible position in the pulp mill, and Mary E. Thompson, of P. E. Island.

KEIRSTEAD-GOUCHER—At Collina, July 31st, by Rev. W. Camp, Wilmet L. Keirstead to Dannie L., eldest daughter of Gilbert Goucher, all of Studholm, Kings county.

BURDEN-PORTER—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. H. Woods, Fredericton, on August 5th, by Rev. James A. Porter, Edgar A. Burden and May Porter.

COLLICUTT BLAKNEY—At the residence of the bride's father, Hill Side, Elgin, Albert County, N. B., June 26, by I. N. Thorne, Clifford J. Collicutt and Catherine G. Blakney, all of Elgin, a belt County.

MILLER-BROWN—At Chipman, N. B., on 14th inst, by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, C. as. E. Miller to Maggie J. Brown, both of Waterborough.

CRONKHITE STAIRS—At the Baptist parsonage, Fredericton, Aug. 13, by Rev. J. H. McDonald, Miles Gordon Cronkhitte and Nettie Jane Stairs, both of Southampton.

TINGLEY-HUCKINS—On Aug. 14th, at the home of the bride's father, by Rev. M. R. Fletcher, Holmes H. Tingley of Chester, Albert county, N. B., to Susie E. Huckins of Brookton.

Died.

STEEVES—On July 15th, at Weldon, Albert county, N. B., Deacon Lewis A. Steeves, aged 82. Our beloved brother was a member of the 1st Hillsboro Church for over 60 years and for several years just has ably filled the honorable office of deacon. He was a consistent Christian, a generous supporter of the work both at home and abroad and in every way a most useful helper. In disposition he was quiet and retiring, in manner gentle and kind. He will be greatly missed in the home, the church and community. He leaves two sons, one daughter and 10 grandchildren to mourn their loss.

BURDEN—Mrs. David Burden, of Prince William, fell quietly asleep in Jesus, on July 28th, in the 80th year of her age. She was a member of the Baptist church in Prince William for about fifty years. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

LEMON—At Gaspereaux, Chipman, Queens County, on the 5th inst, of kidney trouble, Frank Lemon, aged 62 years, a member of the First Chipman church. The deceased leaves a brother and two sisters, besides many other relatives, to mourn his departure.

BETTS—Gracy Betts, daughter of Samuel Betts, departed this life at Boiestown, July 11th, in the 5th year of her age.

STILES—At Pollet River, July 30, Alexander Stiles, aged 56 years. He was a member of the Pollet River church and although the call to depart came suddenly, there is hope that faith in Christ Jesus was his.

MURPHY—Mrs. James Murphy died at Boiestown, July 2nd, in the 56th year of her age. Sister Murphy was a most faithful and consistent member of the Ludlow Baptist church. She will be greatly missed in the home and community. The sorrowing family have sympathy of their many friends.

KNOX—At Salmon Creek, Chipman, N. B., on 26th inst, Isaac O. Knox, in the 61st year of his age. The deceased leaves a widow, five sons and two daughters to revere his memory. He was a member of 2nd Chipman church.

WHITCOMB—At Sackville, July 30, Agnes E. Whitcomb, aged ten years. The little girl whose home was in Boston, had been in poor health for some time before school closed, and came to Sackville to spend her holidays and recruit. Everything delighted her and she seemed rapidly to gain strength. But she suddenly was taken ill and in three days passed to the greener fields and happier life of Paradise. We commend the bereaved parents to the tenderness of Him who loved little children, and who said, "Suffer them to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

BARNES—On July 19th, at McDonald's Point, William Barnes, aged 62 years, leaving a wife, three daughters and two sons to mourn the loss of a devoted husband and father. Three brothers and two sisters also survive him. Twenty-seven years ago Brother Barnes professed faith in Christ and was baptized by the late R. V. Thos. Todd. During all the years of his Christian experience he was ever ready to give a reason for the hope within him and died leaving the blessed evidence that he had been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. In his home, he was truly a model husband and father and ever ready to entertain and care for the stranger who might come his way. May God bless the sorrowing ones and comfort them as he alone can.

WELLS—In Boston Mass., on the 25th of July, of peritonitis, Susie, youngest daughter of the late John P. Wells of St. John West. Sister Wells was the possessor of a fine voice and previous to her departure from Carleton about two years ago, was an esteemed member of the congregation and choir of the Carleton Baptist church. Her funeral services were conducted by the Rev. B. N. Nobles, on Monday, 29th, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Robt. Hamm, for whom and the surviving members of the family sincere sympathy is felt.