

bership of over 60, and is under the efficient leadership of Miss Etta DeWolfe. The Easter meeting of the W. M. A. Society which occurred on the afternoon of the 7th, was one of peculiar interest and sadness. It took the form of a farewell service to Mrs. Edward Price who ever since the organization of the society in January, 1873, have been a loved and honored secretary. Mrs. J. B. Robinson in behalf of the sisters presented Mrs. Price with a beautiful gold brooch as a token of the loving regard in which she will ever be held by the Society. Mrs. Price and family, five in all left this week for California to join Mr. Price, who for the past six years has been in the Klondyke and Alaska. Their home for the present will be Los Angeles. The going of this estimable family is regarded as a distinct loss to the church and town. At Milltown Me., Brother Lavers has taken a strong hold upon the church and community. At present Rev. Mr. C. L. Adams, one of the State evangelists is assisting him in a series of meetings. A number of conversions are reported and the outlook for further fruitage is most encouraging.

W. C. GUTCHER.

From Bro. Ervine.

Since our last issue another note has come to hand from our adored brother. It is quite evident that the end is nearing, and as will be seen our brother is fully conscious of the fact. The message is brief, as the writer is doubtless unable to state more. The note was privately written, but as many are anxious to hear of our brother's condition, we give it as it is.

Henet, California, April 13, 1904.

Dear Brother:

I write for a twofold purpose. First, to send you as I expect my last brotherly greeting. I am getting very weak and short of breath. The end I know is drawing close. I suffer much from cough, soreness and a pressing, stifling sensation in my chest. I am only waiting my Father's call. All is well. I am happy in Jesus, notwithstanding the sad thought of leaving my loved ones in a strange land. But I can leave them in the hand of my dear Heavenly Father, knowing that He will do all things well. His will be done.

Second, I write to tell you of the change in our address. It will be Henet, Riverside Co., California. I would like to have written more, but I am to the k-headed and tired to try. May God bless you all.

Ever your brother in Christ,
S. D. ERVINE.

We are pleased to hear from some of those to whom we have been sending sample copies of this paper, several are subscribing for it, and now we would be still more pleased to hear from others to whom it has been sent for some time past, who have not reported to us. Will you friends please let us hear from you whether you want the paper or not. We have made generous offers to any who will subscribe now. The paper will be sent to any one until the end of this year for 30 cents; and for 50 cents we will send it until July 1905. With this issue we stop sending sample copies for a while. Now let us have a number of new names and old subscribers who are in arrears will please remit payments as soon as possible, we need funds to keep the paper from being in debt. Address J. H. Hughes, St. John North End.

Notice.

As yet there has been no invitation from any of the churches of the Southern Baptist Association to entertain it this year, and as the time of its meeting is drawing near, it is necessary that a notice of its meeting should be given at once. Which of the churches will send us an invitation to convene with them?

Address J. H. Hughes, St. John, and C. A. Laubman, St. Stephen, Moderator and Clerk.

M. & V. please copy.

Married.

WILSON PROSSER.—At Drury Cove, Kings Co., April 12th, by Rev. W. Camp, Matthew Herbert Wilson, to Miss Nettie May Prosser, both of the parish of Sussex.

LAW WALTERS.—At Sussex, April 13th, by Rev. W. Camp, David Herbert Law of Urney to Miss Helen Clara Walters, of South Branch both of the county of Kings.

JEFFREY REESE.—At the home of the bride's parents at Cumberland Point, Queens Co., N. B., on Wednesday, April 6th, at 5 o'clock p. m., by Rev. H. H. Gillies, Miss Delia M. Reese, to Frederick I. Jeffrey of Johnston, Queens Co.

HAYES CARMICHAEL.—In Church Avenue Baptist church, Sussex, April 6th, by Rev. W. Camp, Harry Thomas Hayes, to Miss Sarah Elizabeth Carmichael both of the Parish of Sussex, Kings Co.

LAIR LAIR.—At Fairfield, April 11th, by Rev. R. M. Bynon, John Lair to Amanda Lair both of Fairfield, N. B.

LAIR HAMILTON.—At Fairfield, N. B., April 12th by Rev. R. M. Bynon, Wm. Lair of Fairfield to Edna Hamilton of Waterford, N. B.

FLOOD STEADMAN.—At the home of the bride's parents, Salisbury, N. B., April 3rd, by Rev. H. V. Davies, J. Henry Flood of Boston, Mass., to Maude A. Steadman.

WOODLEY PORTER.—In St. John, on 19th inst., by J. A. Porter, father of the bride, Arthur B. Woodley to Harriet Porter, both of this city.

Died.

LONG.—At Johnston, Q. C. on the 30th March, Samuel Long age 50 years. He was baptized by Rev. A. B. MacDonald in 1875. He held the beginning of his confidence steadfast unto the end. He was a member of Second Cambridge Baptist church.

HUGHES.—At Mill Brook, Queens Co., on the 25th, March Mary Ann, wife of Edwin L. Hughes aged 59 years. She was baptized by A. B. MacDonald. She was a member of the Second Cambridge Baptist church. She was a good woman.

LARKIN.—Mrs. Jane Larkin, a highly respected resident of Lower Newcastle, passed away on the 8th, at the residence of her son Charles, in 84th year of her age. Mrs. Larkin left three sons and two daughters with a large number of friends and relatives who will hold her in precious memory.

STONE.—At St. John, N. B. on April 15th May Stone aged 30 years. Our dear sister was much beloved by her many friends. We believe that she was a true Christian. Her body was brought to St. Martins, and here on Sunday the 17th, at the residence of her grand father, Deacon J. M. Bradshaw, the funeral service was conducted by Pastor C. W. Townsend. She leaves a husband, an child, a brother and sister, and other relatives to mourn her early death.

COOK.—At Lower Windsor, N. B., April 8th, of consumption Elizabeth Ann widow of Alfred Cook aged 56 years. Many years ago our sister was made savingly acquainted with Jesus and united with the church of which her first husband George Hayward (brother of Rev. Angus Hayward) was a member. Through years of care and toil and sorrow God graciously sustained her. Now she rests from her labours and her works do follow. During her last illness all that loving hearts and willing hands could desire or do was done. Especial mention ought to be made of the devoted attention of her eldest son Fred. Two sons and three daughters mourn her demise.

KENNEDY.—Deacon James Kennedy, of Minto Queens Co., N. B. Born at Upper Stewiacke, N. S. March 22nd, 1827, died April 3rd, 1904 aged 77 years. Brother Kennedy came to this province in his 21st year. He was baptized 47 years ago in the Grand Lake by our venerable brother Isaiah Wallace, being the first brother baptized by him. He filled the deacon's office in Upper Newcastle church for a number of years. Our dear brother lingered for months on a sick bed, but was sustained through it all by his faith in Jesus. He is and will be greatly missed as a loving husband, a good father, a good citizen and a faithful servant of God.

BRIGGS.—At Chipman, Queens Co., April 7th, of consumption, after many weary months of pain and weakness, Flossie, beloved wife of Levi H. Briggs, aged 27 years. Two little boys and a daughter, bright with life's buoyant hopes, are thus left without a mother's care and love. Sister Briggs professed religion in a revival during the pastorate of Rev. W. E. McIntyre, and during the few years of her fellowship with the said Chipman church was greatly beloved by all. She possessed a most heavenly and

Christ-like character and ever more witness of her Saviour unto all. She now rests in the home eternal where pain or sorrow can never come.

FOSTER.—At Cady's, Queens Co., April 1st, of pneumonia, Scott Foster, leaving one brother and other more remote relatives. Deceased was a son of the late Nathan Foster, and his mother, the widow by her second marriage, of the late Dea. Jas. G. Hetherington was buried at the Narrows, Cambridge, but a few weeks since. The deceased was a member of First Johnston church, Thornton.

KEIRSTEAD.—At the General Public Hospital, St. John, on 11th inst., Mrs. Miles Keirstead of Springfield, Kings Co., aged 39 years. Mrs. K. had been operated upon for tumor, but the shock overcame her. She leaves a husband, two sons and four daughters in mourning, besides a large circle of other relatives. Her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Keirstead, who formerly resided at Keirsteadville, at present live near Lakeside, Kings Co. May God comfort the mourning ones.

GREEN.—At the home of her son, Tracy's Mills, Car. Co., N. B., Mrs. Keziah Green, departed this life, April 11th, aged 83 years. For many years Mrs. Green had been a consistent member of the Centerville Baptist church, though of late she had been unable to attend its services. She delighted in Christian fellowship. When near the end the brightened up saying "my Saviour fills the room." May God comfort the mourners.

PRICE.—On Thursday April 14th, James Price, aged 78 years. He was for many years a faithful marshal of the city of St. John. His membership was transferred from the Baptist church at M. Ineton forty years ago to the Leinster Street church of St. John. Pastor Christopher Burnett conducted the funeral services and interment took place at Fernhill Cemetery. He leaves three sons and one daughter to mourn his loss.

ESTABROOKS.—In St. John, on 21st inst., Ruth C., daughter of Theodore H. and Mary E. Estabrooks, aged 3 years and 9 months.

GIBBS.—In St. John, on 19th inst., after prolonged affliction, Sarah J. Gibbs, daughter of the late Abraham Gibbs of Hatfield Point, Kings Co. Deceased had spent the latter part of her life at the home of her brother Charles, and here her death occurred. Rev. C. T. Phillips accompanied the remains to the family lot in Kars.

Baptists in Persia.

"Some years ago a band of native Christian workers in Persia, through the simple study of the Bible, came to the conclusion that immersion only was baptism, and this only upon confession of faith. This was before they ever knew that there was a church that had immersion as its mode of baptism for believers only. While they knew of Charles Haddon Spurgeon, and loved him dearly because of reading his writings, which are translated into Syriac, yet they did not know that he whom they esteemed as 'the greatest minister in the world' was a Baptist.

"A very prominent Nestorian has written a long and able article on 'Believers' Baptism,' but it has been impossible for him to have it printed, because they have no press. The number, however, of those that have adopted the teaching of the Bible concerning baptism is steadily increasing, although there is no Baptist missionary among them, nor Baptist literature. This spontaneous movement among these people that are tiring of Mohammedanism needs the attention and care of the Baptists of the United States."

The above paragraphs were penned by Rev. Yonah Y. Auraham, an earnest Persian Baptist, now in this country visiting our churches, on behalf of his people. He was formerly a missionary in his native land under the Presbyterian Board. He graduated from the college in Urmia, Persia, and in 1891 from the Presbyterian Seminary—the Western Theological Seminary, Allegheny City, Pa. But hearing the doctrine of Baptism propounded by one of his fellow-countrymen, he decided to stand for truth. He therefore was baptized.—The Commonwealth.