

Rev. S. H. Cornwall resigns at Falmouth, N. S., to accept a call to Pugwash and Wallace in the same province. He was formerly pastor at Springfield, Kings Co., also at Surrey, Albert Co., and at St. Martins. We wish him much success in his new field.

Rev. J. Chipman Morse, D. D. of Digby Neck, N. S., has resigned after serving the same people as pastor for sixty-three years.

Rev. J. B. Colwell has received and accepted a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church at Freeport, N. S.

### Religious News.

Pastor Christopher Burnett, LEINSTER ST. ST. JOHN. baptized four candidates on Sunday evening, March 27th.

FAIRVILLE. Yesterday, March 27th, was a great day with us in Fairville. The power of the Holy Spirit was manifest. Five were received for baptism at the close of the morning service, and were baptized in the evening, in the presence of about five hundred people. Rev. Isaiah Wallace is with us for a fortnight, and is doing grand work for the Lord. He preaches the gospel with wonderful clearness and power, and as a result we are hoping that "much people will be added unto the Lord."

A. T. DYKEMAN.

GERMAIN ST. A note from Pastor Gates says "we are plodding, and hope with some advance. The services of the church have been kept up with marked regularity; though on account of some of the stormy Sundays and prayer meeting evenings, the attendance has not been up to the standard. In the Sunday School we are able to report reaching a number present beyond any period in the history of the School. The young people's Society of Christian Endeavor—the first formed of such societies in Canada—celebrated a few weeks ago its twenty-first anniversary. The occasion was one of marked interest and the testimonies of some who were the Charter members of the Society and now leading officers in the church were convincing proofs of the great blessing the Society has been to the church. We start out in the twenty-second year of our history, well officered with consecrated young men and women and are hopeful for the future. The thoughtful are laboring and praying for conversions. One was baptized, yesterday and more are expected.

Three persons were baptized by Pastor Gates at the close of the morning service on Sunday last.

NEWCASTLE. We have at last something cheering to report. We have been engaged in holding special meetings at Lower Newcastle for the last two weeks. The interest in the meetings has mightily increased. Two persons who will be a helpful addition to the church have come out strong on the Lord's side. Others are giving evidence of being more thoughtful. Though the number in attendance last evening was not so large on account of the rain and very bad state of roads, yet the spirit did rest down with power and we felt the good work had only just begun. Today the weather threatens a general smash up, which if it comes will greatly interfere with our work, but the good Lord knows best. A number of the friends from Lower Newcastle met at the parsonage on the evening of March 22nd. After spending an enjoyable evening they separated leaving us the richer by \$13.00. A number were disappointed not getting here on account of the very severe storm. We would not like to tell you all the kind things said of the pastor in the address presented.

M. P. KING.

### Notice.

We are very thankful to those friends to whom we have been sending sample copies of this paper for some time past who have sent us names of new subscribers with their own names also. Will those from whom we have not heard

please let us know what they are doing, or intend to do? To any one subscribing we will send the paper until July 1905 for fifty cents, and will send back numbers from first one in March, with beginning of the story, "Cruising for the Cross." Address J. H. Hughes, Cunard St., St. John, North.

Rev. W. E. McIntyre, will accept payments for the HOME MISSION JOURNAL, from any of our subscribers while he is visiting the churches on Home Mission business. It may be convenient for some to remit by him. Please embrace the opportunity and oblige, the manager.

Deacon Joshua D. Colwell of Jemseg is authorized to take subscriptions for this paper and to collect payments for it.

### FROM BRO. ERVINE.

Since the previous note another has come to hand dated March 30th, giving intimation of his approaching dissolution. Most sadly do we append it for the benefit of our readers. In it he says:

I am still here, but daily growing weaker. Have not attempted to get out of bed since Sunday, a. m., and then only to change rooms. I realize the end is nearing; the change will be a blessed change for me, although it is hard to say "good bye" to my dear ones. But as matters are it will be better both for them and myself, as a prolonged stay now only adds to their already overburdened life.

I can't write much and so must be brief. Shortly after coming here it was suggested that I write a short sketch of my life. In compliance with this I have prepared a brief manuscript, which is as yet hardly in shape for publication. When I wrote it I expected to have been able to go all over it and re-write it, but disease has so muddled my faculties that I could not since have much improved the original. I will leave it with my wife and she and my friends can do what is thought best with it. Please answer as soon as convenient, as I may not be here very long.

Yours in Christian love,

S. D. ERVINE.

We talk about apostolic times, as though there were some peculiar advantage in having lived at that period. But it was not the presence or preaching of the apostles which marked that age; it was the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. That presence and power is for us as it was for them, if we will turn our eyes and faith upward toward Jesus, and not back upon an historical memory.

One reason for the lack in our days of mighty revivals, is that we have not the faith or the patience to wait. We fix days and hours and practically say to the Lord that we are so busy, and have so much to do that we cannot wait. We appoint a week of prayer and say, in effect, we can only come together and pray for one week. Indeed, we are so impatient that we cannot give even our one annual week of prayer up to that purpose, but must needs turn it into a preaching meeting, or a talking meeting, or almost any other kind rather than one of simple prayer and waiting. In our ordinary gatherings for prayer, if there come a pause, the minister or leader becomes impatient and sends forth his exhortation to "fill up the time," and the brethren and sisters begin to look about and get fidgety and nervous, just as if to be silent and wait upon the Lord for a few minutes were an offense against the Spirit.

The best argument for Christianity is to be found in its miracles of grace. What can the worst enemies of Christ say against the drunkards that have been reclaimed, the liars that have been made truthful, the unclean who have been made chaste, the hard and grasping who have been made tender and benevolent; the depraved who have been lifted up and refined; the scoffing and profane who have been turned into praying men; the unregenerate who have shown every sign of becoming new creatures, the hateful and envious of becoming loving and contented. Let us keep our converts to the front of our work, let the converts stand by their spiritual fathers; and the world has an array of witnesses against whom they can say nothing.

### Married.

TODD-ESTES.—At Woodstock, March 30th, at the residence of the bride's mother by Revs. Z. L. Fash and J. A. Cahill, Rev. F. S. Todd to Miss Ida Estes, both of Woodstock.

SMITH-MARSE.—At the residence of the bride's father Mr. George Marse, in St. John on the evening of March 2nd, by the Rev. A. B. Cohoe, Robert William Smith and Henrietta Marse.

JOHNSON-LINGLEY.—At the residence of R. C. McAfee, Spring street, on March 31st, by Rev. Howard Roach, G. Allen Johnson to Myrtle Lingley, daughter of William Lingley.

GILBERT-PARKS.—At Cambridge, N. B., April 4th 1904, by the Rev. F. N. Atkinson, Garfield Gilbert and Addie Parks, both of Waterloo.

HAYES CARMICHAEL.—At Sussex in Church avenue Baptist church, on April 6th, by Rev. W. Camp, Harry T. Hayes, to Sarah Elizabeth Carmichael, both of Sussex.

### Died.

BRADSHAW.—On March the 13th, Deacon J. D. Bradshaw aged 84 years. In the death of this beloved brother the St. Martins church has lost one of its oldest members and office bearers. He was baptized in 1840 by the Rev. Benjamin Coy, and was elected deacon in 1850. During the 64 years of association with the church, he adorned the doctrine of his Saviour, and for nearly half a century he served well in the deaconate and gained for himself a good standing. For the past three years he has been laid aside from active service by reason of bodily weakness; but the fierce furnace of affliction has tended to demonstrate the genuineness of his faith as more precious than gold and by divine grace he has been enabled to glorify God in the flesh. It was the deacon's privilege to frequently visit him and ever to find him, even when in great physical distress, deeply interested in the things of God and all that pertained to the prosperity of Zion. He was an intense lover of the Bible, and his copy of that Holy book bore marks of constant use. Even after he had lost the sight of one eye he continued to read the sacred page. Shortly before the end he spoke of his conversion, and said he had been looking back to that early experience and was satisfied of its reality. All who knew him shared that satisfaction. He gave abundant evidence that he was one who had passed from death unto life. His funeral on the 15th inst. was very largely attended, and in the following Sunday evening his pastor preached an appreciative memorial sermon from II Cor. 5:1. The preacher said that Deacon Bradshaw's religion was one of (1) glad certainty. It could be summed up in those two words in the New Testament, "We Know." It was also religion of (2) glorious hope. It looked beyond the grave to the glory, away from the perishing tenement of clay to the immortal spirit, and its yearning turned from this land of exile to the nearness and familiarity of home in the presence of the Lord.

PIGDEON.—In St. John, March 25th, quite suddenly, Frank M., eldest son of the late C. B. Pidgeon, Esq., of North End. Deceased studied at St. Martins Seminary and Acadia College, and for some time was connected with the press of this city. He was 31 years of age.

JONES.—A remarkable coincidence occurred in the death of two brothers, Merritt and James O. Jones. Merritt lived for some years at Apohaqui, but of late was residing with a niece at Petticoe. Here his death occurred on Sunday, March 27th; his wife surviving him. He was 72 years of age and had no children. A few hours later, his brother Jas. O. Jones, living at White's Corner, Kings Co., passed away leaving a wife and several children. He was a member of the First Springfield church and lived a humble Christian life. Both were sons of the late James Jones of Springfield, and during their earlier years attended the First church under the pastorate of the late William Allen Corey. One sister, Mrs. Good survives them. May God comfort our mourning friends.

HUGHES.—Mary Ann, wife of Edwin L. Hughes of Mill Brook, Queens Co., left the earthly for the heavenly on the 25th of March, after much suffering of heart trouble and pneumonia aged 50 years. She was a kind hearted woman, and leaves in sorrow a husband, and several sons and daughters, and many other relatives. Rev. A. B. McDonald attended her funeral on Sunday 27th, and preached an appropriate and impressive sermon, a large number of people being present. May the mourning ones find comfort in the hope of a reunion when the earthly pilgrimage is ended.

NILES.—At Woodstock, N. B., March 25, Clifford Niles, aged 3 yrs. 3 mos., son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Niles.

SHRIVER.—Mrs. Hiram of East Florenceville, who has been in failing health for over a year on account of heart trouble passed away March 20. The deceased was born at Peel, N. B., in 1831. She is mourned by a husband, three brothers, two sisters and by eight of a family of ten children. She was a consistent member of the East Florenceville Baptist Church. That she had many friends was evidenced by the large number of people present at the funeral service. The pall was borne by three sons and a son-in-law. Pastor Smith spoke from I Cor. 15:55.