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"IF I FORGET THESE, O JERUSALEM! LET MY RIGHT HAND FORGET ITS CUNNING."—Ps. 137: 5

ACCIDENTAL DEATH OF REV. PETER KEAY, M. A.

It is with sincere and heartfelt sorrow that we are at this time called upon to record the sudden death of the Rev. Peter Keay, M. A., Minister of the Scotch Church at St. Andrews, N. B., and Clerk to the Synod of the Church of Scotland in the Lower Provinces. Mr. Keay has not been in the enjoyment of good health for some time, on account of which he was advised to cease from duty for a short time. Accordingly he paid a visit to St. John, and was the guest of the Minister of St. Andrew's Church in that city. Thence he went to Fredericton, which city he left for the purpose of returning home, on Monday, the 29th of December, the day on which he met his death. It appears that he had to wait at McAdam Junction for the St. Andrews train, on the arrival of which, by some mishap, he slipped beneath the wheels and was instantly killed—the head, we believe, having been completely severed from the body. Mr. Keay was a faithful and earnest Minister of the Church, beloved by his people beyond expression, esteem-

ed by his brethren in no ordinary measure, on account of his very excellent qualities, and respected by all who knew him for his parts as a christian gentleman, and for his faithfulness as a friend.

To his bereaved and afflicted family we tender our earnest sympathy. May God, who hath wounded so sorely and who alone can heal, be their guardian and friend. Not in themselves, not in man, is their help. Beyond the sympathy which is neither tendered now in small measure nor offered as a matter of form, and which we know full well will come to them like water to the thirsty soul, we can offer up our prayers to God's Throne of Grace, that He whose we are and whom we serve may be very near to the family and friends of the deceased.

In our next we hope to be able to publish a short biography of the deceased, for which we will look to some of his fellow-labourers and neighbours, the Ministers of New Brunswick..

Of the particulars of the sad accident we can say nothing, as it was not witnessed by any person present, and as