

SILENT TIMES.

In one of our larger colleges for girls a special feature of the daily life of the household is the morning and evening "silent time." At the opening and closing of the day there is a brief period, marked by the strokes of the bell, in which all the house is quiet. Every pupil is in her room. There is no conversation. No step is heard in the corridors. The whole great house is as quiet as if all its five hundred inmates were sleeping. There is no positively prescribed way of spending these silent minutes in the rooms, but it is understood that all whose hearts so incline them shall devote the time to devotional reading, meditation and prayer. At least, the design in establishing this period of quiet as part of the daily life of the school is to give opportunity for such devotional exercises, and by its solemn hush to suggest to all the fitness, the helpfulness, and the need, of such periods of communion with God. The bell that calls for silence also calls to thought and prayer, and even the most indifferent must be affected by its continual recurrence.

Every true Christian life needs its daily "silent times," when all shall be still, when the busy activities of other hours shall cease, and when the heart, in holy hush, shall commune with God. One of the greatest needs of Christian life to-day is the revival of devotion. Ours is not an age of prayer, so much as of work. The tendency is to action rather than to worship—to busy toil rather than to quiet sitting at the Saviour's feet to commune with Him.

Or the family of Lydia is declared, "And she was baptized, and her household." Of the jailer's family it is said, "And was baptized, he and all his." And the "household" of Stephanas was baptized. The term "household" includes all the children of the family. When the Bible speaks of a mother "looking well to the ways of her household," the term evidently includes "her children," who are said "to rise up and call her blessed."

Be ashamed of nothing but sin."—Don't be ashamed to stoop to humble work, when it is necessary and useful. Cincinnatus, the great Roman patriot, was found at his plow; Peter, the Great wielded the axe; Washington, the illustrious Father of Americans, carried the chain of a surveyor; Franklin's hands were dyed with ink of the printer; President Lincoln split rails; Johnson plied the needle of the tailor; St Paul was a tent maker. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might."

MISSIONS.

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BAPTISMS.

Spring Hill Mission, by Rev. C. E. Mackenzie, Nov. 23rd, George, son of James and Theodosia Wallis; Nov. 25th, Marion, child of Henry and Harriet Ridgeway, of Spring Hill; Dec. 9th, Sabra, Harvey Freeman, Hudson, and John, children of Thomas and Margaret Rector, of Maccan; Kate Amelia, child of David A. and Sarah Dickson; John Alester, child of Andrew and Annie Stevenson; Rebecca, child of George and Sarah E. Wilson, all of Maccan Mines; Dec. 14th, David William, child of Richard and Mary Foster; Dec. 25th, Margaret Jane, child of Humphrey and Susan Porter, of Spring Hill.

MARRIAGES.

CAMPBELL—ANDERSON.—On 19th December, by Rev. S. Gibbons, D. A. W. Campbell, Esq., of Strathlorne, Inverness Co., to Emmeline, third daughter of Robt. Anderson, Esq., of Big Baddeck.
JACKSON—ROPER.—At Ingonish, on Dec. 12th, by Rev. S. Gibbons, Jesse Jackson, of Ingonish, to Sarah Ellen Roper, of same place.
CARRE—MCKEEN.—At St. Peter's Church, Baddeck, on Jan. 3rd, 1884, by Rev. S. Gibbons, Travelling Missionary, Frederick Carre, of Port Mulgrave, to Gertrude, second daughter of S. G. A. McKee, Esq., of Baddeck.
COUGHLAN.—UNDERHILL.—In Trinity Church, Blackville, on Friday, 28th inst., by Rev. A. F. Hiltz, Rector of Derby, Thomas Coughlan to Hannah Underhill, daughter of James Underhill, both of Blackville.
HAWLEY—WEIR.—At St. George's Church, Apsley, Dec. 12th, by P. Harding, P. P., George Hawley, of Chandos, to Georgina Weir, of Peterborough.
MCKAY—GERRARD.—At St. Stephen's Church, Chandos, on St. Stephen's day, by P. Harding, P. P., Mr. David Boyd McKay, of Wellesley, to Miss Ellen Elizabeth Gerrard, of Chandos.
GERRARD—SIXSMITH.—At the same place and time and by the same, Mr. Robert James Gerrard to Miss Jane Sixsmith.

DEATHS.

WALLIS.—At Spring Hill, Dec. 5th, George, infant son of James and Theodosia Wallis.
PORTER.—At Spring Hill, Dec. 27th, Margaret Jane, and Jan. 3rd, William Robert, only children of Humphrey and Susan Porter.
JONES.—Lost from on board the barque "H. L. Deverber," of St. John, N. B., on the 31st ult., William Henry, eldest son of Eliezer W. and Sarah Elizabeth Jones, Weymouth, age 23.

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