

MARRIAGES

KENNEDY-URQUHART.—At the home of the bride, Millville, April 13th by Pastor A. A. Rutledge, Walter E. Kennedy, to Alberta E. Urquhart, all of Millville, York Co., N. B.

CROSBY-CROSBY.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Brazil Lake, by Rev. C. H. Martell, Edwin L. Crosby, of Pleasant Valley, and Maud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Crosby.

DEATHS

HINES.—At Port Lorne, on April 29th, after a long and painful illness, borne with Christian resignation, James Hines, aged 54 years. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

YOSS.—At St. George, N. B., May 2nd, Thomas B. Yoss fell asleep aged 74 years.

HALL.—On April 28th, at St. George, N. B., after a brief illness George Hall passed into rest aged 62 years.

UNDERHILL.—The death of Thomas E. Underhill of Simonds, Car. Co., occurred at his home on Monday, May 2. He leaves a widow and seven children, the eldest of which is thirteen. The funeral services were conducted by W. H. Smith assisted by Rev. Mr. Woodworth.

PURDY.—Otis E., only son of John Purdy of Bear River, N. S., Apr. 26th, aged 23 yrs. Bro. Purdy was baptized by Rev. G. W. Schurman. He had been married but three weeks when stricken by appendicitis. He died surrounded by friends in New York. There is widespread sympathy for the young wife, and the heart broken parents and sister.

MARTIN.—On May 3rd, at her home, at "The Sixteen Mile" Queens Co., N. S., after a lingering illness, Lela, the beloved wife of William Martin aged 31 years. Much sympathy is felt for the sorrowing husband and three little children. The deceased died rejoicing in the hope of eternal life. The funeral services were conducted by Pastor Sloan of Milton, at the Baptist church, Middlefield.

PERKINS.—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. E. Miller, Hartland, N. B., April 29, Mary J., widow of Elisha Perkins, aged 74 years. In early life our sister gave her heart to God and consecrated her life to his service. Christ was her delight continually. She was a member of the Centerville Baptist church and the body was taken there for interment. Six sons and three daughters also an aged brother and sister are among the many who mourn her departure.

MILLS.—On 28th ult., Lorin Mills, in the twenty-first year of his age, a short distance from his home, Milton, Queens Co., N. S., while attempting to get a piece of timber from the waters of the Liverpool river, accidentally (according to coroner's inquest) fell from the boom, upon which he was last seen standing, to perish in a watery grave, with no one near to reach a helping hand. His tragic death cast a deep gloom over the entire community. The deceased was an exemplary young man, a member of the Baptist church and greatly respected by all who knew him as evidenced by the large number in attendance at the funeral. For the heart stricken mother, sister and brothers very genuine sympathy has been manifested by all. May grace be given to the bereaved to say "It is well."

EATON.—On the evening of the 20th, of April, Henrietta the beloved wife of Butoon Eaton of Granville Centre entered into the rest of the life eternal. Our departed sister was suddenly stricken down. Throughout the day she was able to engage in the work of the home and had apparently years of life before her. About sun down she began to complain and before twelve o'clock she had fallen asleep in Jesus. Our sister was a woman of excellent spirit. She was kind and affectionate in her nature and was beloved by all. She made home happy and was well adapted to train her large family. She leaves behind a husband and eight children to mourn their sad loss. One of her daughters had to be summoned from the Seminary at Wolfville another from her school but both arrived to late to see their mother alive. The whole community mourns with the family in their sad affliction.

FLEMING.—At Gasperaux, Chipman, N. B., April 26, after a lingering illness, Eliza Jane, widow of the late Deacon Wm H. Fleming of First Chipman church. Our deceased sister was an eminent example of devotion and loyalty to the Master's cause, and was truly a pillar of strength in the church with which she was connected. She was a regular attendant as long as health permitted at conference and regular public worship on the Lord's day, ever esteeming the services of the sanctuary her highest delight. During all her married life the family altar was preserved, while her Christian counsels had much to do in cheering God's servants and helping the weak and erring about her to follow Christ. Her conversation was ever about her Lord and Master, and tidings of revival work among the churches were always welcomed with eagerness. For this she prayed anxiously, and of her it can be said that

she sought first the kingdom of God and his righteousness. She had the great joy of seeing all her family and many of her grandchildren brought to Christ. The memory of the ministers who had faithfully labored in this community was most precious to her. She often spoke of Elders Michael Doyle, and Elias Kierstead, by the latter of whom she was baptized in 1854, and she constantly held before the attention of the family their Christian virtues and character. Thus perhaps when God's servants are called home their works follow them, and though dead they yet speak. Our sister had reached a good old age, having been born in the North of Ireland, March 4th, 1824. Five sons and one daughter survive her; several of her children had preceded her to the spirit world "waiting and watching at the beautiful gate." The funeral services were conducted on 30th inst., Pastor E. T. Miller and Rev. W. E. McIntyre, a former pastor attending. The day was dark and somewhat rainy; earth seemed wrapped in gloom, but beyond the bright spirit enjoyed the eternal day in a world where sorrow or tears can never come.

A Pleasant Anniversary.

BRO. EDITOR:—On Saturday evening April 30, a number of the relatives, neighbors and friends met at the home of Uncle Robert Marshall of Clarence, N. S., to celebrate the eighty-third anniversary of his birth. For these many years our Uncle has lived upon the same farm, under the protecting shadow of the North Mountains.

In 1846, Dec. 21, he moved into his own home and the following Sunday entertained two ministers and every Sunday since, when there was one within call he has kept up a splendid hospitality. All of those who are still on this side will recall with pleasure the social hour spent with Uncle Robert, and the many revivals that he owes to talk about since the memorable one of 1829.

Every pastor from Nathaniel Vidito to the present one has had his love and sympathetic support. As the years have passed by sorrow and joy have mingled in our brother-cup. His two companions and eight of the twelve children have preceded him. Four daughters live to make many pleasant reunions.

By indomitable energy he has converted the primeval forest into a forest of apple trees, this year having gathered 1000 barrels of apples, besides pears, plums, grapes and other fruits in good quantities.

We spent the evening in speech and song and cordial social intercourse, for everyone who goes to Uncle Robert expects to be at home. He is still hale and hearty and enjoys life as well as a lad of twenty. In this unique community of Clarence he is "Uncle" to us all and we are glad.

If any of the readers of this article ever pass this way ask for Uncle Robert, and you will be welcomed by a smile, a handshake and a God bless you. H. H. SAUNDERS.

INTERESTING SUNDAY SCHOOL EVENT AT EAST FLORENCEVILLE.

Sunday, May 1st, was a red letter day with the East Florenceville Baptist Sunday school when the largest attendance in the history of the school was assembled to celebrate the twenty-first anniversary of the founding of the school. After the opening of the school in the usual informal manner by singing, scripture reading and prayer, the lesson was taught to the respective classes. Col. A. D. Hartley the superintendent for the entire period then gave in a pleasing manner a splendid and encouraging report of the school for the twenty-one years, of which report the following is a summary:—

The East Florenceville Baptist Sunday school was organized May 5th, 1883, with the following staff:—Superintendent, Col. A. D. Hartley; Assistant Superintendent, R. W. Tompkins; Secretary-Treasurer, W. B. Tompkins; Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Aloria Tompkins. (Mrs. Adolphus Lovely); Teachers, W. Tompkins, C. T. Boyer, Helen Lovely, (Mrs. Geo. Flannigan), Mary Tompkins, (Mrs. J. E. Waugh), Amanda Tompkins (Mrs. Chas. Smalley), and Mrs. A. D. Hartley. The total enrollment at that date was seventy. The average for the twenty-one years, thirty. The grand total thirty-two thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine. The largest attendance, seventy-two; the smallest six. During the twenty-one years but eleven sessions have been lost, eight on account of storm and three on account of funerals. Fifty six from the school have confessed conversion, fifty three of whom have joined the Baptist church. Nineteen have died. Six

have gone out to superintend Sunday schools in other localities. A total of \$510.00 has been raised by the school, the largest collection being \$5.00, the smallest six cents. On February 16th, 1885, the school was indebted \$7.20, today it has to its credit \$3.22. The average yearly cost of supplying quarterlies and papers has been \$16.15, which expenses have totaled \$347.76, while the remaining amount raised went toward other benevolent objects of the school.

After such report brief and fitting addresses were given by Pastor W. H. Smith, B. A., B. F. Smith, M. P. P., who represented East Florenceville Union Sunday school, Percy Hayward, principal of East Florenceville day school, Abraham Cronkhitte, former principal of East Florenceville day school, Henry Taylor of East Florenceville Union Sunday school, Jas. McIsaac and C. T. Boyer former teachers of East Florenceville Baptist Sunday school and Mrs. A. D. Hartley the efficient primary teacher of the East Florenceville Baptist Sunday school.

As the Superintendent, after some interesting remarks, was about to bring the exercises to a close Pastor Smith came forward and on behalf of the school presented Colonel Hartley with an address which in fitting language gave expression to the deep appreciation in which Col. Hartley and his work has been held during the years in which he has served the school as superintendent. His constant devotion to the interests of the school, his faithfulness to the truth, his ability in making it effective, his genial manners and sympathy for teachers and pupils and his successful leadership in all the work of the school were called to mind. In closing Mr. Smith said: "And now may it please you to accept from us this gold watch and chain, not as a reward for service, for such can be paid only in heaven's coin, but as a token of our appreciation of your services and a mark of our esteem and regard for you as a Christian worker."

Col. Hartley, though visibly affected, was able to give a most fitting reply to the address.

The school is to be congratulated on having at its head a man whose thirty-three years experience in Sunday school superintendency and whose knowledge of and loyalty to the word have made him most proficient.

Special music was given by the choir consisting of songs and anthems which added materially to the pleasure of the exercises. The service was throughout of deep interest and cannot but have an abiding and helpful effect upon those present. ONE PRESENT.

REVIVAL BLESSINGS.

In my several trips over the Maritime provinces during the last few months to attend to lecture engagements and the sale of publications, I had the opportunity of conducting evangelistic services in several places where revival blessing was given. Notably among these were Glace Bay, union services where upwards of 50 professed conversion, Campbellton N. B. Baptist church where 50 professed conversion and 25 were received for baptism in one meeting, who with others have since been baptized. Summerside P. E. I. where 15 were added to the church, and Charlottetown, P. E. I., where 12 or 15 were evidently turned to God who with others no doubt the pastor will lead into the church. These seasons of grace remind me of other days in the provinces, when it was my privilege to witness large gatherings for which there is a bright prospect to-day.

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HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories, excepting 3 and 26, which has not been homesteaded or reserved to provide wood lots for settlers, or for other purposes, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

ENTRY.

Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district in which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of \$10.00 is charged for a homesteaded entry.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES.

A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If a settler has obtained a patent for his homestead, or a certificate for the issue of such patent, counter-signed in the manner prescribed by this Act, and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead.

(4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same township, or an adjoining or cornering township.

A settler who avails himself of the provisions of clauses (2), (3), or (4) must cultivate thirty acres of his homestead, or subdivide twenty head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 30 acres substantially fenced.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT.—Should be made at the end of the three years before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent, or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent, the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of his intention to do so.

INFORMATION.

Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories, information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing land to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba, or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories.

JAMES A. SMART.

Deputy Minister of the Interior, N. B.—In addition to Free Grant Lands in which the regulations above stated refer, thousands of acres of most desirable lands are available for lease or purchase from railroad and other corporations and private firms in Western Canada.