

OBITUARY.

RITCEY'S COVE, April 22nd, 1880.

Three years ago Bro. Rogers, then Superintendent of the Lunenburg Circuit, wrote of the circuit that scarce a death had happened on it during his first nine months of labor.

family retired to rest feeling that he would perhaps live another summer with them. It was not to be so. At midnight the summons came. His wife awoke to find him sitting in his bed and coughing.

O, that without a lingering groan, I may the welcome word receive; My body with my charge lay down, And cease at once to work and live.

We say of him to-day, as we look for him and miss him from our midst, "The memory of the just is blessed." A. H.

MR. DANIEL GERHARDT,

of LaHave Ferry, a comparatively young man, cut down by consumption. Quiet and unobtrusive in life, there was hope in his death.

MRS. LUCY WILKIE,

of LaHave Ferry, aged 74 years, was the next to go home to God. She was faithful in her life, not allowing any thing to come between her and her God.

MR. AUSTIN CORNUM,

of Felton South, aged 35 years, was also called upon by the great Ruler of all things to pass out of this life into the next. His life had not been faithfully spent in God's service.

MR. THOMAS RITCEY,

of Ritcey's Cove, aged 55 years. He exchanged mortality for life about midnight of Tuesday, April 13th. He was a Prince in our Israel, and always to the front in battle.

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GEORGE HENDERSON, ESQ., J. P.

Bro. Henderson was born January 1816. His parents were both God-fearing and deeply pious. They were devotedly attached to Methodism.

The childhood of our brother was marked by unusual quietness and obedience to his parents. The testimony of his mother is that she never knew him to use an improper word in all his life but once, and that when he was but a child.

In 1841, or 39 years ago, he came from Annapolis and settled in Digby. He was then a young man, full of a laudible ambition and great perseverance.

He was a man not only well-informed, but, we may say, critically informed. He was endowed with a clear intellect, and he was a close student and a keen observer of men and things.

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But we come to speak of him in a higher relation of life than any of those indicated above. He was born again, born of the Spirit of God, when he was about nineteen years old.

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was Superintendent of the Sabbath School. The duties of these several offices he faithfully and honorably discharged.

He was a systematically benevolent man. No one will ever know the extent of his doing in this direction. Towards the Methodist Church his hand was ever open—largely, freely, liberally.

His last illness came. It was short, only about eight days. He suffered considerable pain of body, but the Lord kept him in great peace. Every thing that medical skill and loving ministrations could do was done for him.

W. WASSON.

CORRESPONDENCE.

APRIL 20, 1880;

MR. EDITOR,—I have been a careful reader of the WESLEYAN, the last few weeks for the purpose of ascertaining the results of the Quarterly meetings, with regard to the Resolution of Conference respecting "Invitation," and I find with one or two exceptions, the resolution has been ignored altogether.

In my address before the Conference in Birmingham I said further, that the first idea of a Sunday-school that entered the mind of Mr. Baikes was suggested by Miss Sophia Cooke, a pious Methodist lady, who became the wife of Samuel Bradburn, the most eloquent Methodist preacher of that day.

THE ORIGIN OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

DEAR SIR,—The following letter may possibly throw some new light on the above subject about which everything is generally supposed to be well and widely known.

year is therefore regarded as the Sunday school Centennial, and appropriate services are being held in different parts in commemoration of that important event.

From the historic facts referred to in this letter it would appear that the modern Sunday school can be traced to Methodist origin, and was in existence some years before the idea of such an institution suggested itself to Mr. Baikes.

WM. HARRISON.

Richmond, N. B., April 20, 1880.

MR. W. C. O.—MY DEAR SIR,—You have a perfect right to request me to substantiate my statement as to the origin of Sunday schools, and I feel it a duty to supply you with an answer. The facts are these: Miss Hannah Ball, a pious and benevolent young lady, and a member of the Methodist Society at High Wycombe, commenced a Sunday-school in which without any earthly remuneration, she instructed many rude and ignorant children in the knowledge of God and the Holy Scriptures.

My tongue is fraught with a down-trodden nation's wrongs. The justice of my cause, is my eloquence; but misfortune may approach the altar where the flame arose which roused your fathers from degradation to independence.

RESOLUTION OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING HELD AT GUYSBOROUGH, MARCH 29th, 1880.

Resolved That, as the late Rev. Joseph Hart was a native of this place, this Quarterly Board cannot allow his death to pass without expressing deep sympathy with the widow, parents, and other relations of the deceased, and also acknowledging with gratitude the grace God bestowed on him while pursuing such an honorable and useful course.

JAMES H. BUCKLEY, Recording Steward.

While our Quarterly Board is lamenting the death of that valiant "Soldier of the Cross," the late Rev. Joseph Hart, it recommends a youth, as a candidate, to fill the broken ranks.

our difficulties, and it may be, that by the blessing of God we shall by and bye, stand in a better position than that which we now occupy.

Permit a reference to Bro. McArthur's representation of the Port Clyde Church debt, given in the WESLEYAN of the 19th ult. He says "we paid \$162 during the first six months of our pastorate here."

Exordium of a Speech of Louis Kossuth, Governor of Hungary, delivered in Faneuil Hall, Boston, Dec. 1851.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Do me the justice to believe that I rise not with any pretension to eloquence, within the cradle of American liberty.

Spirit of American eloquence flows not at my boldness, that I dare abuse Shakespeare's language in Faneuil Hall! It is a stange fate, and not my choice.

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What is aristocracy? It is exclusive liberty; it is privilege; and aristocracy is doomed, because it is contrary to the destiny of men. Aristocracy should vanish, not in the nations, but also from amongst the nations.

Our Saviour taught all humanity to say—"Our Father in heaven," and his Jerusalem is lasting to the end of days.

THE THIN

When we walk machinery, we know the weight of the world would tear us to flying wheels, or their ponderous rails, and there an inch of iron thickens a plank or half an inch within us.

Mr. Wesley says "Our preachers, my fallen. They are not alive to God, enervated, fearful of ship. They have no God gave to Thomas Bridge, or to you (M. k. n. Give me one who fear nothing but God, and whether they be clergy. Such alone will shake and set up the kingdom earth."

We see in a jeweler there are pearls, and other precious stones cutting instruments, tools for their polishing are in the work-house, neighbors to them. God's jewel; his work-jewels are polishing for house; and those he means to make his bath oftentimes his

The pulpit without secularized, and sink common things. It loses the minds of men. Alas, and it only of preference, from fortuitous circumstances, less pulpit is like E. river to water the garden, the intellect, but cannot. To change and control there must be Christ in

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St. John District

Sussex Circuit— Peter Snider... \$12.00 Mrs F Strickton... 10.25 L. C. Johnson... 6.00 Mrs G Ryan... 5.00 R A Hagar... 2.00 Mrs H Hayward... 4.00

Fredericton District

John Bennett... \$5.00 Mrs H Cowperwhite... 5.00 Mrs J. J. Payne... 5.00 Mrs F W Peasey... 5.00

Total