

MARRIAGES.

THOMSON-BISHOP.—At the residence of the bride's father, G. Ansley Bishop, New Minas, N. S., on 8th inst., by Rev. E. M. Keirstead, D. D., Samuel Thomson, of Dartmouth, and Miss Elsie B. Bishop.

BRENNER-SAND.—At the parsonage, Digby, on Feb. 7th, by Rev. B. H. Thomas, Daniel Brenner, of Bay View, and Miss Ceretha Olivia Sand, of Lower Granville.

HALLIDAY-PECK.—At the parsonage, Digby, on Feb. 9th, by Rev. B. H. Thomas, Jesse Halliday and Miss Lillian Peck, both of Digby.

BALCOM-TOAL.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Jan. 11th, by Rev. W. H. Morgan, Henry Balcom, of Milltown, Me., to Agnes Toal, of Oak Bay.

REES-ESTABROOKS.—At the Pacific hotel, Spokane, Washington, Dec. 24, by the Rev. Dr. Van Osdel, pastor of the 1st Baptist church, Kingman Nott Rees, of Cascade City, B. C., to Bertha Irene Estabrooks, of Boston, Mass., both parties formerly belonging to York Co., N. B.

MOWLEY-LEYLAND.—At the home of the bride's parents, Mascarine, Charlotte Co., Jan. 25th, Miss Edna M. Leyland to Capt. George A. Mowley, of Lubec, Me.

MCNALLY-STUART.—At Truro, N. S., Feb. 1st, by Pastor H. F. Adams, Charles R. McNally, of Fredericton, (now at Newton Theological Seminary, studying for the ministry), to May Estella, 3rd daughter of Mayor Stuart, of Truro.

REICKER-SPRAGG.—Feb. 8th, at the residence of the bride's father, Dea. L. E. Spragg, of Springfield, Kings Co., by Pastor S. D. Irvine, Daniel U. Reicker, of Kars, to Miss Edna V. Spragg, of Springfield.

HARVEY-MCELHINNEY.—At the Baptist parsonage, Florenceville, N. B., Feb. 8th, by Rev. A. H. Hayward, Mr. Frederick W. Harvey, of Foreston, N. B., to Miss Beatrice May, only daughter of Robert McElhinney, Esq., of Argyle.

DEATHS.

LOYENS.—At Barrington, Shelburne Co., N. S., Dec. 18th, infant child of Captain and Mrs. Osber Loyens.

GOODWIN.—At Woods Harbor, Shelburne Co., Dec. 30th, youngest son of W. W. Goodwin and wife, aged 7 years. On the 25th he was real well and enjoyed with others the childish merriment of Christmas but in a few days he was not for God took him.

MILLER.—On Jan. 24, at Fall River, Mrs. John Miller, at the advanced age of 95 years. Our sister retained her faculties to a remarkable degree until the end. In her removal Fall River church loses its oldest member. The church has suffered the loss of many during the past few months whose places it will be hard to fill.

CREED.—At his home in South Rawdon, N. S., very suddenly on Feb. 1st, George Creed, aged 69 years and 8 months. Funeral attended by Rev. R. Mutch. The Grange funeral ceremony was witnessed at the grave by a large number of friends and acquaintances. Three sons and three daughters survive.

LEARD.—At Summerside, P. E. I., Jan. 10, aged 18 years, Ellen, eldest daughter of Brother Alex Leard. For her death had no terror. The trusted in Christ, and realized that to 'depart and be with Him is far better.' But she is greatly missed, and deeply mourned by her friends.

NICKERSON.—At Woods Harbor, Jan. 20th, Mr. Nehemiah Nickerson, aged 58 years 5 months. Bro. Nickerson was baptized upwards of 30 years ago, and united with the Baptist church at Barrington. Afterward he became a member of the Woods Harbor church at its organization. He died trusting in Jesus, leaving 2 sons, 3 daughters and a widow to mourn their loss. May the Lord in mercy sustain all the bereaved.

JOHNSON.—At Summerside, P. E. I., Jan. 27th, Minnie, beloved wife of Brother John Johnson, leaving a sorrowing husband, three young children, and a very large circle of relatives and friends to mourn her early departure. She was a bright and earnest Christian; a member of the Summerside church, and one who will be greatly missed. She said to the writer, that it seemed hard to leave husband and little ones, but that for herself she had no fear, and in this assurance of faith she triumphed even to the end. She is deeply mourned by us all.

RODGERS.—At Pugwash, Jan. 10th, Sister Nancy Rodgers, relict of the late Daniel Rodgers, aged 86. Early in life she united with the Baptist church at Pugwash, and remained a faithful and worthy member. Her life was that of the meek and lowly always conscious of her nothingness and Christ's fullness. A short time before her departure the writer said: "You are going home, are you not?" She replied, "Yes, I shall soon be with Jesus." Our sister leaves 7 children; 4 sons and 3 daughters, to mourn their loss of a good mother.

HORTON.—At his home, Cook's Cove, Guysboro Co., N. S., Feb. 3, John J. son of Dea. Albert Horton, died aged 17 years. When 10 years old John was converted and joined the Baptist church in Guysboro. During these 7 years he has lived a consistent life. He was a dutiful son; a thoughtful and diligent student; a pure minded boy. In him many hopes for a useful life were centered. But God measures life differently from men. A few months ago his constitution was found to be completely undermined by Bright's disease, so that when attacked by the prevailing influenza he fell an easy victim. Thus a young life of promise here has been called to fruitage beyond.

COWPERTHWAIT.—At the residence of Jas. McKenny, Petersburg, Feb. 3rd, Maria, widow of the late Deacon Abram Cowperthwaite, aged 82 years. The deceased became a member of Upper Gagetown Baptist church by letter in 1868. She took a deep interest in every good work and was a true helpmeet to all who loved the Lord Jesus, and although dead she yet liveth in the memory and affections of those who knew her best. Her remains were laid by her husbands at Upper Gagetown, on the 5th inst. Her funeral sermon was preached from Rev. 14-13. Religious Intelligencer please copy.

LUDHAM.—On Jan. 31st, at Fall River, Halifax Co., Deacon Stephen Ludham and wife. Bro. Ludham outlived his wife but four hours, dying at the age of 67. His wife was 1 year his senior. They were both from Midland, England. Over 30 years ago they came to Fall River, where they have made an enviable reputation for themselves, as was evidenced by the very large number gathered at the funeral. Two sons and three daughters with many friends mourn their loss. The church has lost two of its most valued members. Faithful, consistent, "fervent in spirit, serving the Lord," they spent their appointed time and "in death they were not divided."

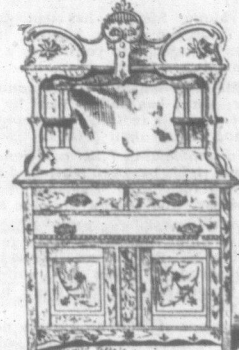
ONDERKIRK.—Died at Wallace River, Jan. 30th, in his 81st year, Bro. Charles Onderkirk. Our brother was in the house of God on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 29th, quite well and cheerful for one of his age, and on Monday morning he arose quite early and did his morning work, and after having taken the Book and had worship he was preparing to take his grand children to school when he sat in the rocking chair, closed his eyes, and was no more. Bro. Onderkirk when 28 years old was converted, and was baptized by the late Dr. Clay and united with the Wallace River Baptist Church. Our brother was a very regular attendant at church, always at Conference and gave his humble testimony for Christ. He leaves seven children, four sons and three daughters, all of whom are members of the Baptist church but one. As pastor my acquaintance with Bro. Onderkirk reaches back nearly nine years and during that time I have learned to love and respect him as a faithful brother in Christ, and a

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loyal Baptist; he was not one to run out of the Baptist Church into something else and try that and then step back again, he was an intelligent New Testament Christian.

Acknowledgement.

I wish to acknowledge the kindness of the friends of Melvern Square, who on the evening of Friday, the 27th ult., made their annual visit to the pastor and his family. It was cold with a high wind and icy roads, yet the parsonage was well filled. A most enjoyable evening was spent. Among the many other useful articles left expressing the feeling of this kind people for their pastor and his family, was a very fine easy chair for his study, presented by a few of the brethren. Several fine loads of hard wood were left in the yard. The wood pile would have been largely increased but for the fact that the snow left us two days before the gathering. But the statement of many that their load is ready when the hauling becomes good again makes that all right. Dea. Leason Baker, in his happy way presented the gifts to the pastor, who replied, thanking the friends for their presence and thoughtfulness. Fitting speeches were also made by Rev. Isa. Wallace and Dea. Henry Goucher. Thus these dear people help their pastor bear his burdens, and inspire him to faithfulness in his work. God bless them all.

H. N. PARRY.

Questions.

DEAR EDITOR.—Is there anything in the Word of God that teaches us that we should call any man Reverend? or any grounds for it in the Bible? If not what title should be put to his name if it is not right to call him pastor only while he is engaged in pastoral work with some church, or at least while he has the pastorate of some church? Will you please answer these questions through the Editorial Notes of MESSENGER AND VISITOR.

Yours in the Master's work.

A. A. RUTLEDGE.

Temperance Vale, York Co., Feb. 3.

[Our opinion is that it is not worth while for a minister of the gospel to worry himself much over what he shall be called. Even if he is called *Reverend*, it is not likely that anyone will worship him on that account. However, if he has scruples against that title, he may call himself *Pastor*, and if he ceases to be a pastor, perhaps it would be just as well for him not to give himself any title to distinguish him from the rest of his brethren. Our experience is that a man can get along with a tolerable degree of comfort without putting any prefix to his name. Ed.

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NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs J D Damm, F.M. \$5; A friend, \$5; Sackville church, D.W. \$15.65; H.M. 25c, N.W.M. 25c, \$16.15; Carleton, Victoria, Madawaska Counties, Q.M. F.M. \$8; Albert County Q.M. F.M. \$8.40; Main Street church, D.W. \$5; St George, 2nd Falls, F.M. \$20; Beacon Harbor church, F.M. \$2; Elgin 1st church, Mapleton Sec. F.M. \$10; Miss Clark, \$5; Jacksonville church, D.W. \$3.50; Jackson town church, D.W. \$3.50; St Stephen church, Young Ladies' Aux. for Chicacole hospital, \$25; Germain St. Willing Workers (hospital, \$10; Grande Ligne, \$15); \$25; Hillsboro 2nd church, F.M. \$10; (Petitcodiac church, F.M. \$6.84; Forest Glen church, F.M. \$7; Elgin 1st church and Sunday School, F.M. \$19.20; Mr Wheaton, F.M. \$1; Salisbury church, F.M. \$3; Harvey 1st church, \$8.07; Hillsboro 1st church, (F.M. \$11.11, Weldon Sec. \$3.31), \$14.42; per Rev G Churchill) Main St Sunday School, \$3.25; Germain St church (H.M. \$5, F.M. \$5), \$10; H V Dewar and wife, F.M. \$5; Fairville church (D.W. \$5.35, H.M. 50c), \$5.85; Sackville church B.Y.P.U., F.M. \$10; Florenceville church, D.W. \$10; Brussels St church, F.M. \$5.10; Gibson church, Sunday School (F.M. \$8.96, Grande Ligne, \$1.50), \$10.46; Mrs Jas Allaby, F.M. \$2.50; Germain St church (D.W. \$14.20, F.M. \$3.09), \$17.29; G.W. Brown, Keats P.O. F.M. \$1; Sussex church, D.W. \$5.01; Oak Bay church, F.M. \$3.08; Ledge, Dufferin, church, F.M. \$2.55; Rolling Dam church, F.M. \$4.39; Bartlett's Mills, F.M. \$4.11; Bayside, 1st St Andrews, F.M. \$2.38; Germain St Willing Workers, support native preacher, F.M. \$20; Fredericton church, D.W. \$157.50; Sackville church, H and F.M. \$7.25; D.A. Vaughan, F.M. \$2.50; St Stephen church Sunday School, Chicacole hospital, \$25. Total, \$506.30. Before reported, \$529.25. Total to Feb. 1st, 1899, \$1035.55.

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Bonshaw church, H and F.M. \$4; Murray River church, D.W. \$10.50; Summerside church, D.W. \$4.02; Charlottetown church, D.W. \$19.65; Alvan and Ettie Carter, for Miss Clark, F.M. \$1; St Peter's Road church, D.W. \$6.82; Springfield church, D.W. \$5.27; Alberton church, D.W. \$5.75; Tryon church, D.W. \$13.12; North River church, D.W. \$10; Cavendish church, D.W. \$10. Total \$90.13. Before reported \$136.42. Total to Feb. 1st, 1899, \$226.55. Total N.B. and P.E.I. to Feb. 1st, 1899, \$1262.10.

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