

left him for a few minutes, and when I returned his manner had quite changed. You saw for yourself what he was like this evening."

"Yes, I was afraid he was ill."

"There is something weighing upon him certainly. And no wonder if he has been so deliberately deceitful."

(To be continued.)

FAMILY PRAYERS.

"Almighty and Most Merciful Father, who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in Thy Son's name: vouchsafe to us an interest in the prayers of thy Holy Church throughout the world which have been this day offered to the Throne of Grace: and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained to the relief of our necessities and the setting forth of Thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

ON COMMUNION SUNDAYS.

We thank Thee, O, Lord God Almighty, for having admitted us to partake of Thy holy, precious and heavenly mysteries which Thou hast given us for the sanctification of our souls and bodies; and we beseech Thee to grant that this, our Communion of the Holy Body and Blood of Thy Christ, may inspire us with faith that need not be ashamed, and with love without dissimulation; may avert all evil from us, and enable us to perform Thy commands; may fill us with wisdom, and preserve our souls unto everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

A PRAYER OF INTERCESSION FOR OTHERS.

Remember, Gracious God, for good, all those that are over us in the Lord, who watch for our souls as they that must give an account that they may do it with joy. Bless all our relations, benefactors and friends; them that are good proserve in goodness, and convert the wicked. And, hear us, Good Lord, when we commend unto Thy tender compassion all that are in error, and sincerely seek the truth; all such as are destitute of necessary means of instruction; all that are engaged in sinful courses, that they may have grace and strength to break their bonds; all those that labor under trial and afflictions; all sick and dying persons that they may omit nothing that is necessary to make their peace with Thee before they die; and also we pray for such as never pray for themselves, that they may see before it is too late, the danger of living without God in the world; these and all other necessities for them, for us, and Thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the name and mediation of Jesus Christ, our most blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen."

PARSONAGES.

A good parsonage will greatly assist a church in obtaining a pastor. It will be an important part of his salary, whose payment will be sure. It offers to him and his family a home; and, if it is neat

comfortable and inviting, it is no mean offer, and must have its weight in deciding the question of accepting the pastorate. Who would not rather settle among a people that have provided a tasteful dwelling for their pastor, than in a neighborhood where all the inconveniences and uncertainty of renting a home must be encountered? A parsonage will aid a church in retaining a pastor. The parsonage becomes the home of the minister and his family. They feel a delight in it, little less than if they held it in fee simple. They aim to make it comfortable. It is soon adorned with vines and shrubs and shade-trees. The members of the Church, having an interest in it, take pleasure in improving and beautifying it and adding to its conveniences. Its occupants have in it a home feeling which they could never experience in a rented house. Soon it becomes associated with events joyous and sad, hopeful and trying, the faithfulness of friends and the goodness of God, which cause the hearts of all to cleave to it as the dearest part of earth. A pastor will not leave such a home through mere fickleness, or to avoid some slight inconvenience. He will ponder well his steps before he abandons an abode surrounded by so many comforts.

BAPTISMS.

At New Glasgow, N.S., May 18th, Henry Benjamin Judge.

MARRIED.

COO-CAMERON—In Christ Church, Albion Mines, N.S., by Rev. D. C. Moore, Rector, John Henry Coo, of New Glasgow, to Janet Cameron, of Albion Mines.

ROBINSON-SHUFFELT—On May 14th, at Holy Trinity Church, Iron Hill, by the Rev. Rural Dean Nye, M.A., Rector of Bedford, the Rev. William Robinson, incumbent of West Sheffield, to Lillian Amelia, daughter of the late John D. Shuffelt, Esq., of Iron Hill.

DIED.

SAYRE—At the residence of Dr. Byers, Springhill, N.S., May 8th, Caroline, relict of Thomas Sayre, of Dorchester, N.B., aged 63 years.

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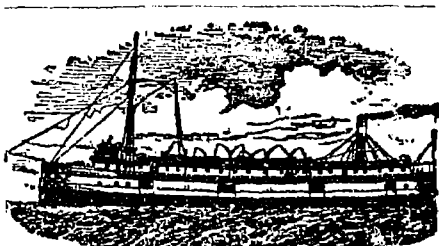


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