

expression of goodwill and friendship that existed between them as pastor and people—and expressed the desire that by their united efforts the kingdom of God might be advanced on the field.

After remarks by the Rev. J. A. Cahill, a former pastor, also by Bros. Leverett Estabrook and Jas. Kirk of Prince William and Bro. Fox of Kingsclear, the exercises closed by the chairman extending the compliments of the season and the audience joining in singing God Save the King.

REV. C. W. SABLES.

ST. ANDREWS.

The Sabbath school held their Christmas tree festivities in the parsonage where a large gathering of young and old were made happy by Santa Claus who distributed his favors lavishly overlooking no one. His favor to the pastor and wife, being a beautiful and costly willow rocking chair. He would not tell us what it cost him, but we have our suspicions.

The prayer meetings and other services of late have been quite encouraging.

Jan. 1902.

CALVIN CURRIE.

Home Courtesy.

WHY should we treat those whom we love and with whom we associate familiarly every day with less courtesy than those who are almost strangers?

A few homes we have seen where pleasant politeness and uniform courtesy was the rule; but usually, the more constant our intercourse with a person, the less is the care to be courteous. This is not because we love the strangers more or do not wish to retain the good opinion and love of our friends and family. It seems to proceed rather from an almost unconscious perception that the only opportunity we shall have to make a good impression on strangers is by our courteous manner in the few occasions we have to meet them; while we feel secure in the love of our families, and we are not impressed with the need for treating them with even the ordinary form of politeness. In many families where genuine respect and love prevails the habitual manner of the members toward each other is such as to seem to visitors really rude. Think over carefully your usual manner of speaking to the members of your own household circle, and compare it fairly with your manner toward those whom you meet elsewhere. Perhaps you may be startled at the contrast. If you are, try the effect of a reasonable and easy adaptation of your "society manners" to the members of your own family. They also may be startled at first; but you may be surprised again to find how well they will like it.

Here is another letter that was not written for the public eye. But as our much esteemed brother Murray has many friends here who would like to hear from him in his present circumstances we give his letter in its entirety. It is good for any one to read whether acquainted with him or not.

Dorchester, Jan. 1st., 1902.

DEAR BROTHER HUGHES:

I have owed you a letter ever since the word contest; have put it off from month to month. My hand is very shaky from that shock, so much so that I dread the thought of trying to write. I will begin my letter by reminding you that forty five years ago today you married us. Where have all these years gone, truly our life is but a span. I feel that I have outlived my usefulness, if I ever had any, so I am just staying here indefinitely. My general health never was better, eat pretty well, sleep well, and I long, have not an ache or a pain, but pretty helpless. My wife is pretty well, but not so young as she was. The rest of the family are very well. Allen is in Maine, pastor of the South St. George church. We spent last July with him; he is fairly successful in his work, and we enjoyed it much. His wife has still to be assisted in and out of bed,

but she is such a worker; it is wonderful what she can do; she has a mission band. They meet at her room once a week. It is really wonderful what she does. John is living in Weymouth, ten miles from home; they spent Christmas with us; they have one child, Susie, four years old; very smart, I think so. Millidge is living with us; they occupy the upper rooms, we the lower; they have a boy fourteen months; a great comfort. Eva, Alonzo and Ed., like chickens, come home to roost each night, and we enjoy it very much. I am really spending my happiest days. When I awoke on Christmas morning one of my stockings was missing. I found it after a time hanging to the mantle, and in it a gold watch and chain. I told them I feared they were overdoing the thing; but I think I am about as proud of it as a boy with his first watch; it is a good one. I also had a little note with a dollar in it, and as I have no use for money I enclose it to you for that little paper that comes so regularly, and that I appreciate so much. I hope you may be able before long to make it a weekly.

Now I should like much to hear from you and Mrs. H. and family. I had a very encouraging and happy letter from you some years ago, telling me how good the Lord was to you, how he provided for you, supplied your wants and was near in every trouble. I am happy to say that I can endorse it all. He has been good to me, O, so good. We hope to hear from you very soon. My wife joins in love to yourself and Mrs. Hughes.

Wishing you all the compliments of the season I remain as ever

Yours in Christian fellowship,
N. H. MURRAY.

Married.

CONNERS-WARD—At the residence of David Ward, Blissfield, by Pastor M. P. King, Dec. 22d, Nathaniel Connors of Blackville to Gracie E. Ward of Blissfield.

ATKINSON-TOWNSEND—At Joliceau, N. B., 24th Dec., by Rev. D. A. Steele, Byron Atkinson to Nellie Townsend.

CHAPMAN-SMITH—At the parsonage, Cambridge, N. B., on Dec. 26th, by Rev. R. Barry Smith, Walter S. Chapman of Port Egan, N. B., and Eleanor Barry, crowd daughter of the officiating minister.

GIBSON-CLOSE—At Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 18, by Rev. J. H. MacDonald, Milton Gibson and Beatha Close, both of Kingslear.

OLMSTEAD-McCREADY—At the bride's home, Jacksonville, on Dec. 25th, by Rev. Jos. A. Cahill, Herbert L. Olmstead, of Wicklow to Miss Mary M. McCreedy.

PICKLE-WIGGINS—At the Baptist parsonage, Hampton, N. B., Dec. 18th, by Rev. H. S. Shaw, Joseph N. Pickle to Mary C. Wiggins, all of Norton.

WILSON-McLEAN—At the Baptist church, Hampton, N. B., Dec. 23d, by Rev. H. S. Shaw, Edson M. Wilson, D. D. S. of St. John to Lela M. McLean of Hampton.

HOSEA TINGLEY—At the residence of the bride's parents, Dec. 25th, by Rev. F. D. Davidson, Harry W. Hosea of Montvale, Mass., U. S. A., and Sarah A., second daughter of John M. Tingley of Cape Hill, Albert Co., N. B.

GOGGIN-DOWNIE—At the First Baptist church, Harvey, Albert county N. B., Dec. 25th, by Rev. M. E. Fletcher, James H. Goggin of Millstream, Kings county to Clara J. Downie, daughter of Deacon Ezra Downie of Harvey, Albert county.

TINGLEY-OUTTON—At the residence of Mr. Albert E. Outton, Point De Bute, on Dec. 25th, by Rev. R. H. Thomas, assisted by Rev. Thomas Marshall, R. Frank Tingley of Upper Dorchester to Lily T. Outton of Point De Bute.

SISSON-MARSTEN—At the Baptist church, Sisson Ridge, Vico in Co., on Dec. 25, by Rev. C. Sterling, Richard A. Sisson to Maudie Pearl Marsten. Both of Sisson Ridge.

WILLIAMS-WILLIAMS—At Mouth Kewwick, York Co., on the 25th inst., by Rev. G. W. Foster Mr. Alfred E. Williams to Miss Margaret A. Williams, both of Mouth Kewwick, York Co.

GUNNING-STEEVES—At the Free Baptist Parsonage Moncton, December 25th 1901, by Rev. Gideon Steamp, Reuben S. Gunning, of Coverdale, Albert Co., and Nellie G. Steeves, of Upper Dover, W. Co.

HALL-KING—At Free Baptist Parsonage, Sussex Dec. 25, by Rev. B. H. Nobles Edward W. Hall of Jordan Mountain and Mary Alice King of St. Martins.

At the Free Baptist parsonage, Mon ton, Dec. 25th, by Rev. Gideon Swinn, Reuben S. Gunning of Coverdale, Albert Co., and Nellie G. Steeves, of Upper Dover, W. Co.

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At the residence of the bride's parents, A. county, Dec. 25th, by Rev. B. McLatchey, uncle of the bride, assisted by Rev. J. K. King, Margaret L., second daughter of R. C. Atkinson, to Truman E. Bishop, M. D., of Norton, King's Co., N. B., formerly of Harvey.

TUCKER-MILLER—At the parsonage, St. George, N. B., Dec. 30th, by A. H. Lavers, Albert A. Tucker of Le Tote, Carleton Co., and Miss Eva L. Miller, formerly of Guysboro Co., N. S.

CHAPMAN-McVICAR—At the Range, Queen's Co., on 21st inst., by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, Harvey Chapman of Canning, to Alice McVicar of Waterboro, N. B.

Died.

ARBAN—At Blissfield, Nov. 11, Allen Arban, in the sixteenth year of his age.

ACORN—At Amherst, Dec. 24, after a lingering illness, Isaac Acorn, a native of P. E. Island, in his 60th year.

HORSEMAN—At Hillsboro, Albert Co., N. B., Dec. 25th, Sarah Horseman, aged 83 years. She died in the faith.

WIGGINS—At the residence of her brother, Eben Wiggins, Newton Centre, Mass., Nov. 13th, of consumption, Lillian G., fourth daughter of the late Gilbert Wiggins of Wiggins Cove, Queens county, N. B. She crossed was born Nov. 4, 1872. Was born again March 17th, 1888 and was baptized the following day, by the late Rev. G. W. Springer and united with the Wiggins Cove Baptist church. Some time after, she came to Waltham, Mass., and united with the Beth Eden Baptist church, Waltham, where she lived and labored in many ways for the cause she loved so much, and died trusting in the Saviour whom she tried to serve. Her remains were taken to Waltham and a sermon preached by her former pastor, Rev. J. D. Oakes, from 1 John 1:3, a text of her own choosing. Our sister by her bright happy disposition, and strong Christian character won for her a host of friends, who came to pay the last tribute of respect to the one they loved.

HITCHINS—Matthew M. Hutchins, aged 71 years, died December 29, at Hampton, N. B. Bro. Hutchins joined the Cumberland Bay church when a young man, and has been faithful unto death. For the past two years he has been living with his daughter in Hampton, where he died. His remains were buried at Cumberland Bay. May God bless those of his family who are left to mourn.

ESTABROOKS—At Chipman, N. B., on 20th inst. Ann, relict of the late Joseph Estabrooks, aged 99 years, 3 months. Deceased professed religion when a little girl ten years of age and was baptized by her uncle, Elijah Estabrooks, then pastor of the Canning church. She had been over 89 years a member of the Baptist church, and her consistent and humble life gave evidence of her Christian hope and her complete acceptance of Christ. Two daughters, two sisters, and a large number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren survive her.