

## MARRIAGES.

DROST-FUDGE.—At Chipman, N. B., on the 15th, inst. by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, Samuel Drost of Northfield, Sunbury Co., to Annie Fudge of Chipman.

O'NEILL-MCLAUGHLIN.—At Hillsboro, N. B., April 30th, by Rev. J. B. Ganong, Howard O'Neill and Mary McLaughlin, all of Hillsboro.

ARBEAU-PRATERSON.—At Doaktown, May 14th, by Pastor M. P. King, Charles Arbeau of Blackville and Persilla Praterston of the same place.

ARBEAU-PRATERSON.—At Doaktown, May 14th, by Pastor M. P. King, Henry Wm. Arbeau, to Miss Gracie Praterston, all of Blackville, North Co., N. B.

VEINATTE-VEINAT.—In Bridgewater, N. S., May 20, by Rev. C. R. Freeman, A. M., Stannage Veinatte of New Cornwall and Miss Josephine Veinatt of Baker's Settlement.

ROCKWELL-ROCKWELL.—At the parsonage, Upper Canard, N. S., May 17, by Rev. E. Hatt, Eugenia Rockwell to Wells E. Rockwell, both of Northville, Kings county, N. S.

CORKUM-HILTZ.—At the Baptist parsonage, Berwick, May 13th, by Rev. D. H. Simpson, D. D., Freeman Corkum and Theresa Hiltz, both of South Berwick.

## DEATHS.

BECK.—At Harvey, Albert county, N. B., May 8th, Mrs. Jacob Beck, aged 78 years. She was the wife of Deacon J. Beck, who survives with six children to mourn her loss. "Blessed are they who die in the Lord."

BARSS.—At Barss' Corner, May 20th, after a brief illness of hemorrhage of the brain and paralysis, Mr. Robert Barss, aged 80 years. He leaves a widow and two daughters which have the heart felt sympathy of all.

BARTLETT.—At Bartlett Mills, Charlotte county, Mr. Clarence Bartlett, age 35, leaving a young wife and two beautiful children to mourn the loss of a very loving and affectionate husband and father. Bro. Bartlett was a member of Bartlett's Mill church and lived a beautiful life with strong Baptist principles and an active faith and when dying could say, I have a call from the eternal shore and I am going home, good bye.

DREWS.—At her home in Advocate, N. S., on May 9th, Annie, beloved wife of R. L. Dreus, passed away. She was not a member of the church at Advocate, but of the Christ Disciples' church at Newport Corner, Hants county, yet she took a deep interest in the cause at Advocate and was a faithful worker in the Baptist church Mrs. Dreus will be much missed, as she won a large place in the hearts of the people by her happy and lovable disposition. An infant son is left to the sorrowing father.

FREEMAN.—At her home, Milton, May 4th, after a lingering illness, the widow of the late Samuel Freeman, sr., aged 72 years. The deceased was possessed of a singularly bright and happy disposition, which endeared her to the home and community. For her to live was Christ. Her children have risen up to call her blessed, and all who knew our sister can say, "The memory of the just is blessed." Three sons and three daughters mourn for father and mother, deceased within five weeks of each other, yet their sorrow is sweetened with the thought that their parents are together with the God.

FISHER.—On April 21st, Clay, aged 5 years 9 months, the only son of our dear brother and sister, George and Maggie Bell Fisher. "Diphtheritic croup" the doctors said. A few kind friends stood by the heart-broken parents in the old graveyard at Cole's Island, Queen's Co., and there they laid away the precious dust. Rev. H. S. Shaw of Hampton, in the good providence of God, was permitted to speak of the gospel hope and consolation. O Jesus, Prince of Life, how long shall death reign? "Rock me, mamma;" "Sing to me, mamma;" and the mother with bursting heart, hoping, despairing, looked into the blue, patient eyes and comforted the little sufferer. Now, the angels of God comfort him; and he will watch and wait at the gates till all the loved ones are gathered home. "In heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven."

LOWE.—At Amherst, N. S., May 16, Mary, relict of Deacon Moses Lowe, aged 84. Mrs. L. wore "the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit," and adorned the doctrine of God her Saviour by her reverent demeanor, as a keeper at home, a faithful wife, a devoted mother, and a constant friend. "Her children rise up and call her blessed." Her grand-children will ever remember the old home, where many of them have sojourned. She leaves four sons, John, Arthur, Seaman and Clarence, and three daughters, Martha, Mrs. C. H. Bent; Oressa, wife of late Rev. W. M. George, and Annie, Mrs. Mark Currie. A memorial service was held at the homestead, where her old pastor read the thirty-first of Proverbs and made appreciative remarks on the characteristics of the wife and mother. The hymns "How blest the righteous when he dies" and "My God, the spring of all my joys," which she had read shortly before her death, was sung, and the body left the home for the last time, to be followed by three generations to its resting-place in the Highland cemetery.

## Denominational Funds, N. B. and P. E. I.

NEW BRUNSWICK.  
J B Allaby, Grande Ligne, \$2; Mrs Chas Allaby, F M, \$2; Havelock church, (Native Preacher, \$4, F M, \$1 45, H M, \$2 80), \$8.25; Cambridge, 2nd Narrows, Sunday School, F M, \$5; Elgin, 1st, Sunday School, Grande Ligne, \$2.43; Robert Elkin, F M, \$2; M M, Lewistown, support of child in Bobbitt school, \$10; Chipman 2nd church, F M, \$8 45; St Stephen, D W, \$24.78; New Canaan, H M, \$4; Leinster Street church, D W, \$16 46; Hopewell church, D W, \$3.22; Gibson church, (D W, \$6 37, Sunday School, F M, \$17 96), \$34 33; Fredericton church, D W, \$165.60; Bartlett's Mills church, H M, 70c; Ledge Dufferin, H M, \$1; Beaver Harbor, H M, \$4.40; A friend, St John, F M, \$5; Mill Cove, F M, \$1.10; Cambridge 2nd (Narrows), F M, \$2.20; New Maryland, F M, \$6; Havelock church, F M, \$2 60; Oak say church, (H M, \$2 20, F M, \$4.30, Norton church, F M, \$3.45, Main street church, F M, \$108.13, Senior Union, \$16, Junior Union, \$0.134 13; German street church, D W, \$93.94 Total, \$569 54. Before reported, \$1893 70. Total to May 16, \$2468 24.

P. E. I.  
Charlottetown church, D W, \$21; J S Clark, F M, \$1; North River church, D W, \$10; Samuel Simpson, D W, \$3.50; Murray River, D W, \$5; Bertie Bradshaw, H and F M, \$2; Miss R E Bradshaw, D W, \$2 Total, \$44 50. Before reported, \$223 48. Total to May 16, \$267 98.  
Total N B and P E I to May 16, \$2736 22  
J. W. MANNING.  
Treas. N. B. and P. E. I.  
St. John, May 15.

## Denominational Funds, N. S.

FROM MAY 1ST TO MAY 20TH  
Brooklyn church, \$4.65; Avonport, \$1.60; do special, \$1.25; Immanuel church, Truro, \$20 80; Dartmouth Sunday School, \$7 95; Freeport, \$16 85; do Sunday School, \$10; Carleton Sunday School, \$5; New Cornwall, \$2.25; Oxborne, \$6 25; Dartmouth, \$25 13; Tabernacle, Halifax, \$49 92; do B Y P U, \$30; Guysboro, \$15 45; Westport, \$9 78; Waterville, \$3 10; Black Rock, \$1 40; Grafton, \$3 20; Burlington, \$5; West Yarmouth, \$19 50; Parraboro, \$15; Temple, Yarmouth, \$33; Hebron, \$27 33; Wilmet Mt, \$6 77; Acadia, \$9 25; do Sunday School \$4 10; Y P S C workers, Melbourn (Arcadia) \$3; Chebogue, \$12 70; Windsor, \$106 96; Berwick, \$26 83; do special, \$2; Nictaux, \$13 30; Mrs J Murphy, Kentville, \$10; A Pineo, do, \$10; Kentville, \$5 76; Chester, \$12; do special, 35c; South Williamston, B Y P U, \$6; New Ross, \$6; Waterville, \$4; Sherwood, \$3; Walton, \$2 50; New, \$2 50; Paradise Rd Clarence, \$4; St Mary's Bay, \$15; Ohio, \$7 17; North Temple, \$12 43; Tusket, \$5 49; Lunenburg, \$2 24; Apple River, \$5; Pitt S., Sydney, \$75; Chelsea, \$7 87; New Canada, \$1.90; Greenville, \$10; Ayles-

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ford, \$158.60; Morristown, \$55.40; Weymouth, \$14.—\$941.53. Before reported, \$6346 45 Total, \$7287 98.

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Wolville, N. S., May 21st.

Letter from Rev. C. W. Townsend.  
To the Editor of the MESSENGER AND  
VISITOR:

DEAR SIR.—It may surprise some people to hear of me being again on this side. I went to England with the idea of settling there. Though the church of which I first heard was not as represented, there were other spheres of labor open to me. Nowhere has my speaking been more favorably received than in mighty London itself. Many appreciative and even flattering things were said of me, which modesty forbids me to repeat. I merely refer to them to show that my return was not occasioned by any lack of acceptance in the old country. There were many reasons which induced me to come back. My children did not take kindly to English ways, and said of Canada: "Tis the land we love the best." During the winter our health was not good. And I certainly do not like the laxity of many English churches on the questions of baptism and communion.

I am, however, persuaded that God had a purpose in my sojourn for a while in my native land. My preaching was blessed to several souls. The first sermon I preached in Scotland was instrumental in leading one to decision for Christ. Others received good through my ministry.

I was able to do a little in enlightening people concerning Canada. I lectured on the subject. I wrote a series of articles for the "Sword and Trowel," entitled "Scenes of Life and Labor in Canada." I shall continue the series until I have completed the 12 articles I undertook to contribute. They may, perhaps, be republished in book form. Before I left I was interviewed by the editor of "The Christian Commonwealth" as to my impressions of Canada. That interview with portrait will be shortly published. I occupied one Sunday the pulpit of Rev. Arthur Menzies. I took part in a meeting in Rev. F. B. Meyer's church at which he presided. I addressed a large temperance meeting at the church where Campbell

Morgan, Moody's successor, was formerly pastor. I preached to the largest Baptist congregation in the great Baptist centre of Leicester. So I was not altogether hidden in that side. I found awaiting me when I reached St. John, a unanimous call to the church here, which I have accepted. I begin regular work first Sunday in June.

C. W. TOWNSEND.  
St. Martins, N. B.

## LITERARY NOIR.

*The Nineteenth Century and After* for May presents an especially attractive table of Contents. Practical and National subjects receive much attention. Sir Robert Griffin, K. C. B. writes on *The Dream of a British Zollverein*; Sir Lepel Griffin, K. C. S. I. on *South Africa and India*; Sir Harry H. Johnston, K. C. B. on *Problems of the Empire*, and Judge O'Connor on *The Land War in the West of Ireland*. There is also an article on *The Unique Continuity of the Coronation Rite*, by the Rev. Douglas Maclean, and one on *The Genius of Spain*, by Havelock Ellis. Hon. Sydney Holland and Miss Isla Stewart discuss *The Case for Hospital Nurses*. Other articles are *Dante and the Fine Arts* by Alfred Higgins; *The Ascendancy of the Future*, by Leslie Stephen; and *The Great Irish Epic*, by Wilfrid Scawen Blunt, and *Newton Hall*, by Frederick Harrison. "Personal Recollections of Cecil Rhodes" are contributed by Sydney Low and Robert Clermont Witt and the Right Hon. James Bryce, M. P., writes—*A Few Words on the New Education Bill*.

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