

MARRIAGES.

RECTOR-SPENCE—At Springhill, N. S., on Sept. 26th by Rev. H. G. Estabrook, James Rector to Miss Lavenia Spence both of Springhill.

SMALL-SABEANS—At Tidville, Sept. 20, by Rev. M. B. Whitman, Byron Small, of East Ferry, Digby Co. to Phebe Sabean of Tidville.

ERICKSON-STUBBERT—At the home of the bride, Sydney Mines, C. B., Sept. 21st, by Pastor A. H. Whitman, James A. Erickson to Mary A. Stubbert, both of Sydney Mines, C. B.

DICKSON-EMBREE—At Pugwash, Cum. Co., on Sept. 27th, by Pastor S. H. Cornwall, John H. Dickson to Annie M. Embree, both of Lorneville, Cum. Co.

HAMILTON-RANKS—In the Baptist church Brookfield, by the Rev. Ira M. Baird assisted by Rev. F. E. Roop, Roy A. Hamilton of Brookfield to Mary E. Banks of West Ingleville, Ann. Co.

McKENZIE-MOTT—At the home of the bride's sister, Campbellton, Sept. 21st, by Rev. J. W. Kierstead, B. A., George G. McKenzie, to Mrs. Mary L. Mott both of Campbellton.

MULLEN-MULLEN—At New Tusket, Sept. 28th by Rev. J. T. Eaton, Frank Bernard Mullen to Annie Laura, daughter of Sears Mullen, Esq., of New Tusket, N. S.

CLARK-GATES—At the residence of the bride's mother, Melvern Square, Ann. Co. N. S., Sept. 20th, by the Rev. E. H. Howe, Andrew Clark, Esq., of P. E. I. to Miss Lina Woodworth Gates of Melvern Square.

GATES-BAKER—At the residence of the bride's parents, Kingston, N. S., Sept. 28th, by the Rev. E. H. Howe, James Arthur Gates, of Melvern Square, to Miss Ethel May Baker, of Kingston.

MEYERS-HUNTLEY—At the residence of the bride's parents, Economy, N. S., by Rev. G. A. Lawson, Charles W. Meyers of Bass River, N. S. to Miss E. Huntley, daughter of Capt. Jas. Huntley and sister of Rev. J. A. Huntley.

DEATHS.

PERKINS—Beatrice E. beloved child of D. Waldo and Edith Perkins, died Sept. 27th, aged 11 months. "Be still and know that I am God."

TRASK—At Little River, Digby Co. Sept. 14th, Eric Denton, aged 5 years, youngest child of Capt. Manning and Minnie Trask. "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

CURRY—Sept. 27th, at the residence of her son-in-law Mr. A. P. Shand, Windsor, N. S. Martha Maxener, widow of the late Constant Curry, in her 88th year peacefully passed to her eternal rest. In early life Mrs. Curry received the gospel blessing under the ministry of Pastor McLearn of the Windsor Baptist church, and at eventide the Lord Jesus was her light.

SCOTT—Entered into the rest that remaineth for God's people at Clyde River, P. E. I. on Aug. 22nd, Annie Scott, wife of William Scott in the 66th year of her age. Converted in early life and baptized by the late Rev. Malcolm Ross, of sainted memory, she was a charter member of Clyde River Baptist church. Her home was always open for the servants of Jesus Christ. A firm believer in prayer and lived to see all of her children converted, five of whom have preceded her to the better land. She leaves to mourn a sorrowing husband and the daughter. Precious in the sight of the Lord are the death of His saints.

LAYTON—At the home of her son D. D. Layton, Parrishboro, N. S., Sept. 21st, Esther Layton aged 86 years and eight months. Our sister was born at Steviacke in 1818, but it was not until mid life that she was "born again," being baptized by Rev. J. E. Balcorn, at Great Village. For a number of years she has been in decline so that her departure was not unexpected. She was among the "hungering and thirsting" ones, and we feel assured that when on the 21st her spirit took its flight that longing was fully satisfied, she awoke "in his likeness." She leaves behind three sons and a daughter, and a host of friends to miss her. She sleeps in Jesus.

CHIPMAN—At Wolfville, Sept. 22nd, after twenty-eight years of suffering, born with Christian fortitude, Annie Bill, aged sixty-three years, beloved wife of Xerxes Z. Chipman, departed to be with Him who loved her and gave Himself for her. She leaves to mourn her loss and praise Him who has called her into His own Kingdom and glory.—her husband, her aged mother and four children. The children are, Mrs. V. V. Higgins of Tekkeli, India, Miss Minnie E. of Acadia Seminary staff, Wolfville, Edgar C. of New York, and Mrs. J. Edgar Higgins of Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands. "For God marks every sorrowing day and numbers every secret tear." "And heaven's long years of bliss shall pay for all his children suffer here."

NOWLAN—Death has again visited our place, Havelock, Digby Co. N. S. John G. Nowlan, Esq., passed peacefully away at his

late residence, on Sept. 25th, in the 81st year of his age. He was baptized by the late Rev. Charles Randall, Feb. 23rd, 1842. Unit-ing with the Sissiboo church (now called Weymouth, and was dismissed with several others on the 22nd July, 1843, to form a church in New Tusket, of whom only two survive him. He was appointed church clerk May 30th, 1874, which office he well filled until stricken with paralysis some eight months ago, and gradually grew weaker until he passed away. He retained his senses up to the hour of his death, and longed to go home. He leaves three sons and three daughters, 27 grandchildren and a large number of friends to mourn his loss. Was well-known and his home was always open for ministers with whom he delighted to exchange thought relative to the interests of Zion.

STEEVES—On Tuesday Sept. 20th, Joseph H. Steeves passed into rest at the home of his daughter Mrs. Harris Steeves, Salem, Albert County, aged seventy-two years. Mr. Steeves was born in Salem and spent there most of his life. On July 3rd, 1850, Mr. Steeves was married to Mary Bray. They had four sons and three daughters. The sons are Gideon, who lives on the homestead; Rev. Omer, pastor of the Baptist church, Newcastle; Rev. Caleb, pastor of the Baptist church, Ballie; and Hurd, merchant in Dover, N. H. The daughters are Mrs. Harris Steeves, Mrs. B. Sharp and Mrs. Warren Jonah. Mr. Steeves was baptized by the late James Irvine. For many years he was a faithful and consistent member of the First Hillsboro Baptist church. He was a man of retiring and quiet disposition. His words were few but he would enter most readily into pleasant conversation proving himself to be a very enjoyable companion. He was a man who feared God and walked before his family as a true child of God, ordering aright both his conduct and conversation. His was an ideal Christian home—a home where God's Word was honored, a home where God's Sabbath was strictly kept. No wonder that from such a home should come splendid men and women who would carry this Christian spirit into their homes and become workers, true and noble in the church of Christ. As a strong Christian man in the community Mr. Steeves will be greatly missed. He was loved and respected by all his neighbours and friends. He was faithful in his attendance at his church services, and loyal in his support of the cause of God. This was the first break in the family. While attending a picnic at Salem, he suffered a slight stroke. This was followed by another in a few weeks, which terminated this sweet Christian life. From the scenes of suffering, he passed into the glory of his Saviour. "Peace, peace he is not dead, he doth not sleep, he hath awakened from the dream of life." His death was but the opening of the chrysalis to let the winged life out. Having finished his course and having kept the faith, he passed in triumph to the glory of his Saviour, who loved him and gave himself for him. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. W. Camp of Sussex, a former pastor and strong friend of the deceased. The funeral sermon was preached in the presence of a large congregation from 11 Tim. 4:6-8. Rev. Isaiah Wallace being present spoke of pleasant remembrances of the departed and offered prayer. All the members of the family were present to pay the last tribute of respect to one dearly loved and deeply mourned. May God bless the widow in her deep affliction and graciously sustain the sons and daughters in their sad bereavement.

ORDINATION.

At a meeting called by the Ohio Church, September 19th, for the purpose of examining Bro. H. W. Cann as to his fitness to be set apart as a regularly ordained minister of the Baptist Denominations, a list of delegates representing the various churches of Yarmouth Co. was called and the following reported: Zion, Pastor C. W. Rose, Dea. C. W. Sanders; Temple, Pastor H. C. Newcombe, Bro. E. C. Simonson; Milton, Pastor D. Price, Dea. C. I. Kemp; Arcadia, Pastor E. J. Grant, Dea. S. R. Cogswell; North Temple, Dr. J. H. Saunders, Dea. J. Churchill; Third Yarmouth, Pastor C. H. Martell, Bro. C. Saunders; Ohio, Dr. J. H. Saunders, Dea. A. Rose; Hebron, Pastor F. C. Wright, Bro. L. Patten; Cheboque, Bro. A. C. Gavel; Bay View, Pastor W. J. Rutledge, Bro. N. R. Eldridge. Rev. M. W. Brown, Supt. of Home Missions, Rev. Ralph Gullison, our returned missionary and Bro. A. H. Saunders of Hebron, were also invited to a seat on the Council.

The Council was formally organized by the appointment of Rev. C. H. Martell as moderator and Bro. E. C. Simonson as clerk.

The candidate was then called to give a statement of his conversion, call to the ministry and views of Christian Doctrine. This he gave in a manner satisfactory to the Council and it was moved by Rev. J. H. Saunders, D. D., and seconded by Rev. M.

A "Royal Household"

Story from the

Annapolis Valley.

Mr. Arthur Cochran, of Delong & Seaman Boston, tells of an incident which he observed not long since while travelling through the Annapolis Valley.

Some five or six miles from Middleton, Mr. Cochran called at the store of a friend and customer of his firm; and while discussing general business questions with him, a carriage drove up to the door and a prosperous looking fruit grower pulled up his horse and got out.

"I came over for a barrel of that 'ROYAL HOUSEHOLD' Flour," said he. "Suppose you have lots of it left. My wife told me not to get any other kind, so I hope you have it here."

The merchant said he was very sorry but he had sold his last barrel of "ROYAL HOUSEHOLD" the day before, and didn't expect a new supply till the first of the following week. He said:—

"Won't you take a barrel of—— or —— They are both flours of good reputation."

But the buyer said:—

"No, we have used both those flours and we have used 'ROYAL HOUSEHOLD' and my wife thinks 'ROYAL HOUSEHOLD' so superior to any flour she has ever tried that she must always have it in future."

The merchant talked for a while and put up a pretty good argument, but finally the farmer said:—

"It's only five or six miles to Middleton and, as I am hitched up, I might just as well drive over there and get what I want."

He thereupon drove to Middleton and got the flour he wanted; at least, Mr. Cochran presumes that he did, as he started for Middleton where "ROYAL HOUSEHOLD" is now sold in large quantities. Mr. Cochran thinks that there can be no doubt about "ROYAL HOUSEHOLD" being the very best flour in this market when people will take such pains to be sure that they get it.

W. Brown, that we proceed to the ordination.

In the evening the ordination service was carried out as determined by the Council. Rev. F. C. Wright read the Scriptures, Rev. J. Miles offered prayer, Rev. Dr. Saunders, the candidate pastor, preached the ordination sermon from Col. 1:7. The ordination prayer was offered by Rev. E. J. Grant, the hand of fellowship was extended by Rev. J. W. Rutledge, and the charge to the candidate was given by Rev. H. G. Newcombe. Rev. D. Price was instructed to write the charge to the church (the Amherst Shore Group) of which Bro. Cann at once assumes the pastorate and forward it as soon as convenient. The meeting then adjourned with the benediction by Rev. H. W. Cann.

Bro. Cann enters the ministry as a young man and we trust that in the coming years he may prove himself to be a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth. The prayers of his Yarmouth Co. brethren go with him.

C. H. MARTELL E. C. SIMONSON.
Moderator Clerk.

CAPE BRETON BAPTIST QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

The Cape Breton Baptist Quarterly Conference met with the Sydney Mines Baptist church on Tuesday and Wednesday the 13th, and 14th, of September. The first session was opened by a very interesting devotional service. Pastor's Beattie, Schurman, Erb, Vincent, Bishop and Whitman were present and nearly all the churches were represented by other delegates. On motion Bro. Andrews of Manchester, N. H., was invited to a seat in the Conference.

Pastor Schurman of North Sydney gave a timely address on "Evangelism" basing his remarks upon 2 Cor. 5:11, "We persuade men." An interesting discussion followed when the motives which should be presented in order to lead men to Christ were well considered.

On Tuesday evening Pastor Bishop of

Bethany Baptist Church, Sydney, preached a very helpful sermon from Rom. 6:22. After the sermon an evangelistic service was held when many took part.

On Wednesday morning after devotional exercises, reports from churches were given. For the most part these were quite encouraging. A new parsonage is being built at Sydney Mines.

The North Sydney church has met with the loss of some of its members, but the work moves forward with success and pastor and people are encouraged. The churches of Sydney are gradually recovering from the depression due to small-pox. The new pastor of the Glace Bay church, Mr. O. L. L. has entered with zeal to his work here and the people are rallying round him.

Our veteran pastor Bro. Beattie reported for Homeville, Mira and Louisburg. The loss of the church building at Homeville was a heavy blow to the brethren there but they are about undertaking the task of rebuilding. It is hoped that the churches will remember this sister church in her affliction.

The Gabarus, Fourchie and Grand Mira churches are now pastorless. May the Lord of the harvest speedily send the right man to this field. After these reports were given Deacon Ross read the minutes of the first Quarterly meeting held in Cape Breton by the Baptists. It was held in 1865. Only two of the brethren present then are living to-day, Wm. MacPhee, and Missionary W. B. Briggs. The need of an advance movement was considered by the pastor and with this in view it was decided to arrange for a series of meetings in the churches, time and place to be fixed by our district chairman Bro. Schurman. The afternoon of Wednesday was given up to the sisters. A report of this interesting meeting will be seen elsewhere in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR. On Wednesday evening Pastor Erb preached very acceptably from Psalm 139:7-12. Sub: "The presence of God." A collection of \$10.50 was taken for the Homeville church. After singing "God be with you till we meet again" the conference adjourned to meet again at Mira in December.

A. H. WHITMAN, Sec'y.

She—"Would you die for me?" He—"Oh, if you haven't any more ambition than to be looking for dead men, you're not the girl for me."