

pointment of the day. Of course all cannot to the same extent avail themselves of the privileges of the Sabbath. The aged and infirm must be attended to, and the very young cannot be taken to the sanctuary without the danger of disturbing the devotion of others. Some duties are also demanded of other persons which keep them from some of the blessings of the day. The common ground that "the Sabbath was made for man" should lead us to avoid imposing duties where it is possible to avoid it on those with whom we have to do.

Our Methodist brethren have an excellent habit of speaking well of their ministers. The system of changing so frequently affords good opportunities of this. Sometimes a preacher is in a comparatively obscure place doing his work without attracting any special notice, but when removed to a new field he suddenly finds he has become a remarkable man, particularly in the presence of people belonging to other denominations. And he is often brought into favorable comparison with the other resident ministers. This comparison may in some cases at first seem quite just, but when the freshness wears off, soon another change affords the opportunity for a man coming in his place, who is said to be even far in advance of his predecessor, and so the process continues, and the "plan" succeeds.

This trait of character has the sanction of some of the higher authorities of that body, who seem to revel in the same self-enjoyment, as evinced by the following extract from the *Methodist Recorder*, one of the English representatives of the body. In referring to the late session of Conference it says:

"Without any exception surely our Wesleyan Conference is the noblest ecclesiastical assembly in the world. Neither Convocation nor the Congregational Union can compare with it. The latter, indeed, has wise and able speakers, but there is absent the majesty of a body that can do as well as talk, rule as well as theorize. In Conference the eloquence, wit, reason, or holy ardour of debate, tends to practical results, and hundreds of thousands are affected by its annual conversations."

This may be all true that the Editor of this good Methodist paper says of his brethren, but the comparison made between the Church of England Convocation, and the Congregational Union does not add much to the value of the opinion.

The Methodist body is doubtless great, but, like the sun, it has its spots.

"Baptist Church is without a Pastor." We have received a Postal Card with the above sentence, but we omit the name. We should have given the name of the church if it had been duly authenticated by the name of some person we know. Perhaps this card is from some one who is mourning over the loss, or removal, of the former pastor, and is praying for the Master to direct one of his servants to minister to the church in word and doctrine, and believes that something should be done, as well as prayer offered, and in humility makes this attempt to meet the eye of some servant of Christ who might feel it his duty to visit them or enquire about the place or people. We should be glad of course to facilitate in securing a pastor for any church we could.

OUR LITTLE ONES. pp. 208. 75 cents. Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia.

This is the bound volume of the illustrated paper which comes out weekly, adapted to the capacities of the the youngest children. The gathering together of the No.'s in the more fugitive form and putting them into one book will make them doubly valuable to the little ones. The illustrations, of which it is full, are very pretty.

"That Husband of Mine" has been the precursor of several other books of similar character under the several titles of "That Wife of Mine," "That Girl of Mine," "That Lover of Mine," and "That Bridget of Ours." That is about enough.

Mr. Erasmus Wilson, F. R. S., at whose expense Cleopatra's Needle is being conveyed to England, is preparing a popular work on the subject of obelisks.

Twenty years ago theology embraced a fourth part of German literature; at present only a tenth part belongs to it. Since 1871 there has been an increase in all branches except theology, geography and history.

SORRENTO AND INLAID WORK; by Arthur Hope, Price, \$1.50. Dawson Bros., Montreal.

"The object of Mr. Hope's book is to furnish a manual for all who are interested in scroll sawing and carving, both beginners and experts, and with this in view, he has treated of every branch of the subject, from woods and their preparation on through the various branches, to overlaying, inlaying, silhouettes, etc. The book is illustrated with full page designs, many of them the choicest silhouettes, the designs alone, if bought at retail, amounting to more than the price of the book. We do not see how anything better than Mr. Hope's little volume could well be prepared. It is remarkably explicit, and yet remarkably full in explaining and describing the very things that the amateur worker most wishes to know, and being himself an enthusiast, he can have little difficulty in awakening a corresponding interest in others."

EIMDALE LYBURN; Or, God's Mighty Workers. By Rev. Sidney Dyer, Ph. D., Author of "Great Wonders in Little Things," "Home and Abroad," "Ocean Gardens and Palaces," etc., etc. 16mo, pp. 320. \$1.50. Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia.

This is a book of a superior order to common story books. It combines with an interesting story, the proceedings of two good ministers in a church, the efforts of a designing wealthy man to introduce materialistic views into the Christian community, and a series of popular scientific lectures given by the minister, by means of which he exposed the designs of Squire Lansing and saved the church from embracing the errors so artfully presented. The lectures comprise an excellent epitome, with good illustrations, of scientific facts and the arguments founded on them in favor of Bible truth.

It is an excellent book for thoughtful young men and women. We are glad to see the Baptist Publication Society offering such valuable reading in an attractive form to young people. The book is handsomely got up and beautifully bound.

Notices.

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Marriages.

At Caledonia, Queens Co., by the Rev. G. N. Ballentine, assisted by the Rev. Mr. McArthur (Wesleyan), Addie A., eldest daughter of Milton Douglass, Esq., to Herbert Freeman, of Harmony, Queen's County.

In the Methodist Church, River John, 11th inst., by Rev. Mr. Scott, assisted by Rev. Mr. McCunn, Charles A. Graham, of Halifax, to Evelyn Mande, eldest daughter of Charles E. Henry, Esq., and grand daughter of the late James Kitchen, Esq.

At Kentville, on the 11th inst., by Rev. C. B. Welton, Mr. Amasa Bigelow, formerly of Medford, and Mrs. Allison Walton, of South Alton.

On the 12th inst., by Rev. W. H. Heartz, Corporal John Hayman, Royal Artillery, to Miss Sarah Frances McDonald, of Gabaruse, C. B.

On Thursday, 11th inst., at Dartmouth, by the Rev. P. M. Morrison, Edward L. Thorne, to Jessie Sedgwick, youngest daughter of the late J. B. McNab, Esq.

At Halifax, on the 9th October, by the Rev. Dr. Cochran, Mr. William Henneberry to Miss Fanny Stoneman.

At Dartmouth, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Morrison, William Brown Kerr, to Miss Susan Goodwin.

On the 8th inst., at Hubbard's Cove, by Rev. Henry Stamer, Rector, Hugh Stanford, of Chester, to Maggie Caldwell, daughter of the late Henry York, of Dartmouth.

At Falmouth, Hants Co., September 24th, 1877, by Rev. J. A. McLean, Mr. Geo. Miner, of Gasperaux, to Miss Adelia Curry, of Falmouth.

At Chester, on the 4th inst., by the Rev. I. J. Skinner, Mr. Zachens Phinney, of Bridgetown, Annapolis Co., and Lucy Parker, of Chester, Lunenburg Co.

At Williamston, Annapolis Co., Sept. 18th, by the Rev. W. G. Parker, at bride's father, Mr. Gideon C. Hilpe, of New Hampshire, U. S., to Miss I. T. Balcom.

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Deaths.

At Canaan, Annapolis Co., Aug. 2nd, Sarah McMarsters, in the 26th year of her age. Our Sister united with the Baptist Church at Pine Grove when young. She was baptized by the Rev. W. H. Porter, then pastor of the Church. She walked in Christian fellowship for some years with the Pine Grove Church—and then moved to the United States, and united with a Baptist Church in that place—our young Sister was much respected and loved by the Church there. But her health failed and she returned to her friends in Nova Scotia, hoping that her health would improve, but in this she was disappointed. Consumption had marked her for its victim, but by the grace of God our sister was prepared to meet the last enemy. Strong in faith she passed away from all her suffering to rest with her beloved when the inhabitant shall not say that I am sick. Sabbath the 5th she was buried beside her father and mother at Melvern Square, who had passed to the Spirit land some time before. May the God of the fatherless be the portion of the brother and sisters left. Yet again we hope to meet thee. When the day of life is fled, Then in heaven with joy to greet thee Where no farewell tear is shed. W. G. P.

At Springfield, Annapolis Co., Israel McNavy, Esq., in the 73rd year of his age. Our brother was baptized more than 40 years ago by the Rev. N. Vidito, and united with the Baptist Church in that place. He was appointed Clerk of the Baptist Church in Springfield, and continued in office until he was removed to the Church above. After having served God and the Church in his day and generation, he passed to his reward. In his last sickness he was comforted by the presence of his Lord and Saviour. A widow and eight children are left to mourn their loss. May the God of Israel be their portion forever. At his funeral a very large congregation assembled to show their respect for the departed, and sympathy for the afflicted. A sermon was preached on the occasion from 1 Peter i. 3-5. W. G. P.

Of diphtheria, on the 8th inst., Ida May, aged 4 years and 11 months; and on the 10th inst., Victoria R., aged 2 years and 11 months, children of James and Sophia Vaughan, of Western Shore, Chester.

On Sunday, of diphtheria, Carrie Lizzie Geenan, aged 16 years and 3 months, only daughter of W. A. and M. A. Chipman.

At Glen Cottage, Lower Stewiacke, on the 14th inst., William H. Chipman, Esq., aged 60 years.

At North West, on the 22nd of Sept., Mr. George E. Rafuse, aged 22 years.

In Scot's Bay, of diphtheria, Oct. 4, Mary E., only daughter of George L. and Mary Jess, aged 5 years. "Suffer the little children to come unto me."

On Thursday, 15th inst., James C. Nolan, in the 76th year of his age.

At Windsor, on Thursday, the 11th inst., in the 29th year of his age, John Walter Sweet, late Station Agent of the W. and A. Railway Co., at Windsor.

At Bayfield, on the 7th Oct., Catherine, the beloved wife of James McLean, in the 36th year of her age.

At Weymouth, on the 10th inst., Thos. B. R. Campbell, M. D., in the 26th year of his age, third son of Colin Campbell, Jr.

On Wednesday afternoon, 10th inst., Gordon Davison, of Londonderry, Colchester Co., aged 21 years.

At the Provincial and City Hospital, on the 10th inst., Andrew Harvey, aged 32.

On Friday, Thomas Conran (of P. O. Department) in the 46th year of his age.

At Amherst, 8th inst., Lavinia, wife of George N. Bulmer, aged 57 years.

On the 7th inst., at the Home for the Aged, Miss Louise T. Tidmarsh, daughter of the late James H. Tidmarsh, aged 77 years.

On Tuesday, Mr. George Weston, in the 62nd year of his age.

On Tuesday, the 9th inst., at Eastern Passage, John Donaldson, aged 52.

On Saturday, 13th inst., Georgiana Johnston, in the 50th year of her age.

At the Provincial and City Hospital, on the 13th inst., Mrs. D. Smith, aged 56.

In St. John, N. B., on the 14th October, of heart disease, Maggie T., wife of Jas. F. Ritchie, aged 30 years.

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